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## MONTHLY REPORT

DECEMBER 1974

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# GLOSSARY OF TERMS

1. Civilian Labor Force - the number of persons 16 years and older, defined as employed or unemployed, excluding members of the Armed Forces.

2. Employed - those persons who work for pay or profit during a week or, as unpaid family workers, work 15 hours or more during a week. Also included as employed are those who, although not working, had some job attachment and were not looking for work, including persons temporarily absent from a job due to illness, bad weather, vacation, or labor-management dispute, whether or not they were in a pay status during their time off.

3. Unemployment - the number of persons who, for an entire week, did not work at all, were able to work and available for work, and (1) were looking for work or (2) would have looked for work except that (a) they were waiting to return to a job from which they had been laid off, or (b) they were waiting to report to a new wage and salary job scheduled to start within the following 30 days (and were not in school during the week).

4. Unemployment Rate - the number of unemployed expressed as a percent of the civilian labor force.

5. Residence Data - a count of employment by where people live.

6. Establishment Data - a count of employment by where people work.

7. Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force Series - to facilitate the evaluation of the labor force, recurrent yearly movements have been isolated and removed by the Bureau of Labor Statistics seasonal factor method.

8. Composite Index - an aggregate of six leading indicators. The indicators used are: Manufacturing - Employment, Average Weekly Hours, total Accessions and Layoffs; Average Weekly Initial Claims; and statewide Building Permits. A reverse trend was used for Layoffs and Average Weekly Initial Claims. This composite index is in no manner or form comparable to the United States composite index as published in "Business Conditions Digest", U. S. Department of Commerce.

9. Real Spendable Average Weekly Earnings of Private Nonagricultural Production Workers - represents the earnings of a hypothetical individual after deductions for State Income, Federal Income and Social Security taxes, and adjustment for change in purchasing power since 1967. This individual is assumed to be sole support for a family of four, earn the average weekly gross earnings of production workers in Montana's private nonagricultural industries, and take standard deductions on State and Federal income taxes. Taxes were computed using standard tax tables, and purchasing power was adjusted by deflating Spendable Earnings based on the national Consumer Price Index.

10. WIN - Work Incentive Program for Aid to Dependent Children recipients.

11. CETA - Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1974.

12. CETA-CEP - Concentrated Employment Program funded under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act.

13. SMSA - Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area as determined by Office of Management and Budget. Must have a central city with population of 50,000 or more.

14. LMA - Labor Market Area as determined by the Montana Employment Security Division consists of a central city or cities with population of less than 50,000, and the economically integrated geographical area surrounding it.

# NOTE

Beginning with the January 1974 issue, the title of this publication was changed to "Montana Employment and Labor Force" to reflect a change in the concept of measuring employment requested by the U. S. Department of Labor of all State Employment Security Agencies. The change was made to ensure comparability between states, and to make employment data published by this agency for Montana comparable to national labor force concepts. Civilian Labor Force series now reflect a count of employed and unemployed persons by place of residence (known as residence data) rather than by place of work (known as establishment data). The years 1970, 1971, 1972, and 1973 were revised to the residence concept and as a result data after January 1970 are not strictly comparable to data published earlier.

Conceptually, the difference between the old "Work Force" and the new "Labor Force" series is that the new series eliminates duplicate counting of multiple job holders, and persons who work in Montana but reside in another state. However, people who live in Montana but work elsewhere are included in the new "Labor Force" estimates.

Residence and establishment data supplement one another and the Montana Employment Security Division will continue to publish establishment data for nonagricultural industries on employment, hours and earnings, labor turnover and job vacancy for those users who need this type of information.

# - EMPLOYMENT -

# - UNEMPLOYMENT -

# - CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE -

DECEMBER 1974

# MONTANA EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT, AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

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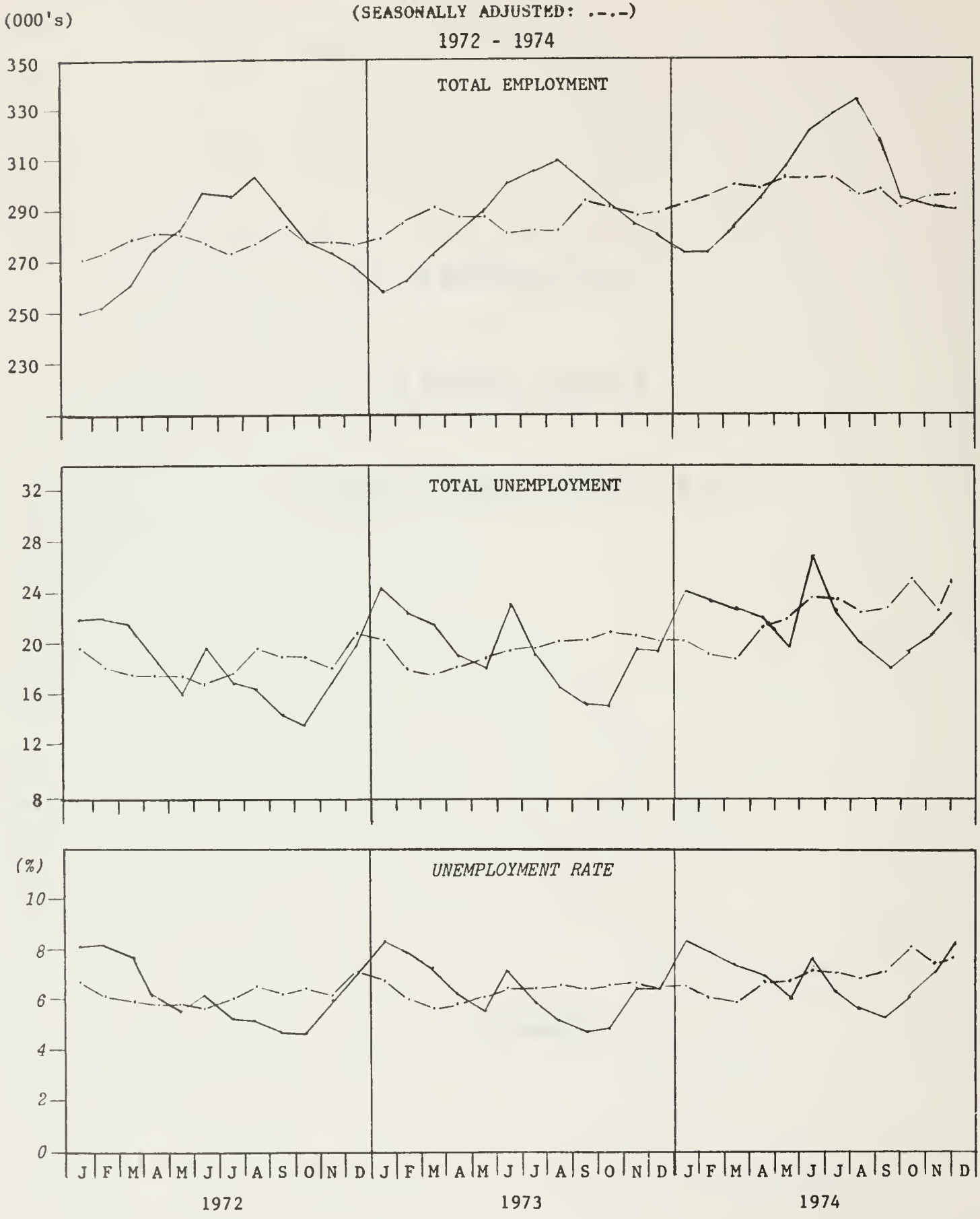


HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTANA LABOR MARKET

DECEMBER 1974

STATE OF MONTANA

November's civilian labor force in Montana was 319,000 compared with 322,700 last month and 303,400 for the same month one year ago. Manufacturing employment this month showed a decline of 1,900 from October but an increase of 7,200 from a year ago. Nonmanufacturing employment recorded a drop of 2,100 from October but increased 7,600 from November one year ago. All other nonagricultural employment in the state (including nonagricultural self-employed and unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households), followed the same trend having a decrease of 1,400 from last month and increasing 700 from last November. Agricultural employment dropped 4,600 from the previous month and increased 900 from the same time last year. Five hundred persons were involved in labor disputes in November.

Total manufacturing employment was 24.7 thousand in November as the durable goods industries employed 15.8 thousand and the nondurable goods industries employed 8.9 thousand. Lumber and wood products employment has been hit the hardest since last year, showing a decline of 800 persons. This mainly is attributed to overall troubled economy with its inflation and high interest rates.

Nonmanufacturing employment in November was 213.8 thousand. Industries included in this employment were mining with 7,700 employed, up 900 from a year ago; contract construction with 13,400 employed, down 1,400 from a year ago, and down 700 from last month; transportation and public utilities with 19,800 employed, up 800 from a year ago but down 300 from last month; wholesale and retail with 60,100 employed, up 1,900 from last year but down 300 from last month; finance, insurance and real estate with 10,600 employed, up 900 from a year ago but down 100 from last month; services with 43,600 employed, up 2,100 from last year but down 300 from October; government with 58,600, up 2,400 for the year but down from last month by 600.

Agricultural employment for November in Montana totaled 30.3 thousand. The state's small grain production (wheat, oats, barley) totaled 166 million bushels in 1974 which is down slightly from last year. However, prices received for these grains was 21% higher than last year. Montana wheat production was 120.1 million bushels with a valuation of $550.6 million compared with last year's production of 96.7 million bushels harvested at a value of $410.4 million. Total acreage harvested this year was 20% more than last year. Montana's barley production declined 38% while yield per acre was 29 bushels. Oat production was 8.8 million bushels, a 14% decrease from last year; however, value of this crop was up 29%.

The total number of persons in the Montana labor force who were unemployed totaled 22,700 which was an increase of 4,100 from the previous month and 2,900 from the same period in 1973. The unemployment rate was 7.1% compared with 5.8% last month and 6.5% for the same month last year.

Labor turnover rates in October reflected the higher unemployment figures recorded for November. Accession rates in the manufacturing industries and metal mining were down from last year while manufacturing separation rates were up. The mining industry separations were lower than a year ago.

There were 441 building permits issued in the state for October with a total valuation of over $14.5 million. For the first 10 months of the year 4,219 permits were issued valued at over $95 million. Last year's 10 months totals were 3,822 permits issued, valued at $87.6 million.

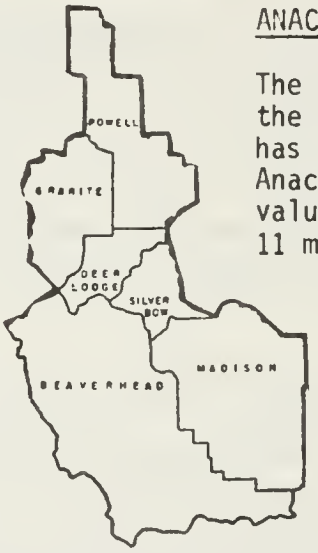
Bank debits for Montana were up 15% in October over the previous month and were up 28% so far for the year. The state's two SMSA's recorded the highest valuations with Billings totaling $384.4 million and Great Falls totaling $326.8 million. Anaconda had the greatest percentage increase over last year at 64% followed by Missoula with a 56% increase.

BILLINGS SMSA
(Yellowstone County)

The Billings area bank debits for October increased 6% over last October and were 30% higher for the first 10 months of 1974 than they were a year ago. There were 100 building permits issued in the area with a valuation of $4.9 million for October. Thirty permits were issued for residential dwellings, valued at just under $1 million. In the city of Billings work has begun on a four-plex indoor movie theater which will cost $500,000. Another half-million dollar venture will be the construction of a drive-in restaurant. A major railroad announced this month that it will spend $4.5 million to expand its shops in Laurel and then add 355 men and nearly $4 million to its annual payroll. Coal production in Montana sparked the expansion. Commercial building construction, good Main Street business, and activity in the coal fields continues to keep the area labor force steady.

GREAT FALLS SMSA
(Cascade County)

For October there were 88 building permits issued in Great Falls with a total valuation of about $500,000. Of these, 69 permits were non-residential valued at $220,000 and 19 were residential valued at $280,000. Bank debits in the Standard Metropolitan Area were up 11% in October over last year and were up 22% for the first ten months of the year. Retail-wholesale and service trades were steady during the month with an increase in sales anticipated with the Christmas season. In agriculture, work has been steady with feeding of livestock and fencing being the main activities. By mid-December a labor dispute still existed between a local newspaper guild and its management. This includes about 65 employees.




ANACONDA-BUTTE LMA

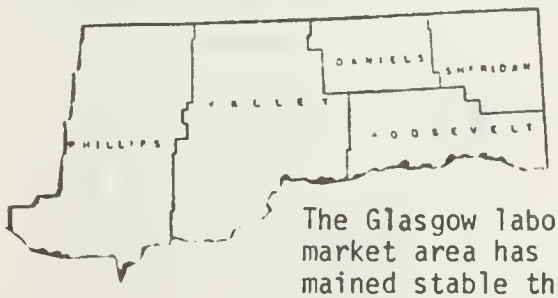
The building activity in the labor market area has remained stable. Anaconda building permits valuation for the first 11 months of 1974 was over $3.5 million. Included in these is a 100-unit elderly citizens housing complex that was begun in November. Butte's November building permit valuation was $710,385 with the largest permit being a half-million dollar remodeling project to house a business office for a major Montana utility company. Another major permit was a $107,885 remodeling job at the county jail. At Deer Lodge a new $4 million state prison was assured with completion expected by the end of 1976. At Philipsburg in Granite County a sawmill operation reopened employing about 25 persons, and it also was announced that a mining company would spend approximately one million dollars to reactivate a phosphate mine. Some downturns for the economy in the area were the continuing of layoffs in Butte due to the phase-out of all underground mining there, and a rail-

road company announced plans for a reduction in the labor force at their facilities in Deer Lodge.

BOZEMAN LMA

Valuation of building permits in the city of Bozeman for November was $1,295,900, an increase of more than $1 million over last year. Work was started this month on a shopping mall that will include 30 stores with completion set for the fall of 1975. Other building activity in the Bozeman area included a new $150,000 fire substation, a new $373,000 city shop complex and a new 56-unit apartment complex. Bank debits for the first ten months of 1974 totaled $631,711,000, 12% higher than for the corresponding period of 1973. The slump in the lumber industry has had its effect on the Livingston economy as the shutdown that began in September of a local mill continues with about 100 people being laid off. In Belgrade, the future of the mill operations are on a day-to-day basis while at the White Sulphur Springs lumber plant 14 employees were rehired. In Bozeman, retail merchants report that holiday buying is considerably below last year, while Livingston reports that Christmas sales are above last year.

GLASGOW LMA



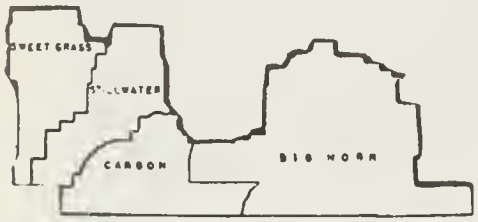
The Glasgow labor market area has remained stable this fall. Roosevelt County accepted a $210,000 bid for a new law enforcement facility in Wolf Point, and the town of Culbertson received bids for resurfacing of their airport runway. The housing projects on the Fort Peck Reservation and the construction of two grain elevators near Wolf Point will continue to operate throughout the winter. Along with an increase in residential building this season, construction in the Wolf Point area will be higher than it was a year ago. Other industries are approximately at the same employment level as last year. At Glasgow, general heavy construction has been halted for the winter months while building contractors are still maintaining full work weeks with no major layoffs anticipated. Glasgow's bank debits for the first 10 months of 1974 were up 8% from the same period a year ago. A new meat packing plant has been in full operation since August at Malta and at the present time is processing between 80 and 100 beef and 40 to 50 hogs each month. In Phillips County, eleven new gas producing wells have been drilled since June.

GLENDIVE LMA

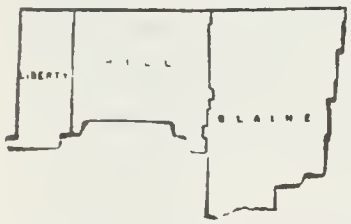
In Glendive, construction continues on a new utility and farm machinery complex, a new service station, retail store, a new motel and the remodeling of a retail department store. Heavy construction has slowed considerably in the area largely due to colder weather conditions. Retail trade is slower than in the past and oilfield activity is also slow. The main agricultural activity during the past month has been cattle feeding. Bank debits in Glendive for October were up 6% over the same month a year ago. In Sidney, progress continued on the planning of a new meat packing plant. Seventeen building permits were issued in Sidney during October with a valuation of $300,000. For the first 10 months of 1974, 142 permits

were issued valued at almost $1.5 million. Bank debits from January to October in 1974 are 17% above last year. Construction in the area has shown normal decline in the winter months, and retail shopping in the area has picked up this past month with the start of the holiday season. The economy in the area remains stable.

## HARDIN-RED LODGE LMA




Sixty-six permits have been issued in Hardin in 1974 from January through October with a total value of $876,000 as compared with 40 permits issued in 1973 for the same period of time valued at $881,000. Work continued this month on two apartment complexes in Hardin with the completion date set for February. At Lodge Grass, the manufacturing plant that produces small articles such as napkin holders and pepper shakers that employed 10 people when started in 1967 now employs 82.




## HAVRE LMA

Bank debits in Havre were up 32% in October over the same month for 1974, and for the first ten months of this year they were 21% over the previous year. Total building permits for the year in Havre have totaled 98 and are valued at $1.3 million. Last year for the same period 124 permits were issued with a total valuation of $4.4 million. A $276,600 bid was accepted for an addition to a new nursing home in Havre with construction to begin shortly. All other building projects in the area are moving along on schedule, while wholesale-retail trade and service industries have shown steady activity as preparation for the holiday shopping began. Exploration drilling was steady this month and interest was focused near Harlem on 4,500 acres of bentonite-rich land which may see some mining activity within the next two years. The main agricultural activities in the area have been cattle feeding and fall cleanup.

## HELENA LMA

Construction activity in the Helena area has some promising projects including a new twin theater started in the downtown area this month, the continuing construction of an office and business building, and officials and representatives announced the plans for a new $4 to $5 million federal building to be located in the downtown area. Also, a group of local developers announced more plans for the development of a new 184-apartment condominium complex to be constructed on Helena's upper east side. For the first ten months of 1974, 297 building permits have been issued with a total valuation of $8.3 million. Bank debits for Helena in October were up 27% over last year and are up 49% for the year through October. All other area industries have remained stable during the month.

## KALISPELL LMA

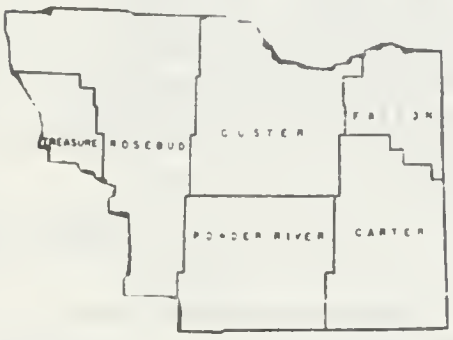
By the end of November the city of Kalispell had issued 169 permits with a valuation of $7.5 million for 1974. This is more than $1 million higher than in 1973.

Industrial jobs in Columbia Falls area totaled almost 1,600 in November and a major sawmill that had closed operations this fall is scheduled to resume operations after January 1. At the Libby Dam in Lincoln County contractors reported 350 persons were employed at November's end. It is anticipated that the winter work level will be from 200 to 225 people. A lumber business took over an old plywood plant at Whitefish which will employ about 40 people and produce prime constructional lumber. A telephone corporation has awarded 10 contracts for service extension improvements in Flathead County for a cost of more than $30,000. The demand for Christmas trees this year in the valley is reported to be down from other years.

LEWISTOWN LMA

There were 83 permits for building issued January through October with a valuation of $681,000. Construction activities continued at a good pace through the past month as moderate weather prevailed in the area. Logging and sawmill work remained slow as a fire destroyed the planer at a local sawmill affecting the workers there. Lewistown's October bank debits increased 1% over the same month one year ago and are up 11% for the year, while bank debits at Harlowton in Wheatland County for September showed a 1% decrease from last year. Farm and ranch activities were slow in the area.

MILES CITY LMA

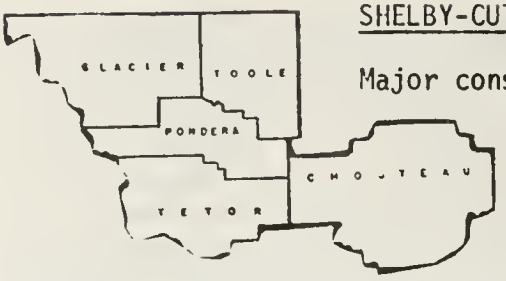



Building projects in the area are mostly smaller projects with the continuance of seasonal layoffs. Labor market activity was slow during the month and hiring was down from last year at the same time. Bank debits for October were up 7% over last year and 25% thus far for this year. There were 219 building permits issued in 1974 through October in Miles City with a total valuation of $1,506,000. High feed costs continue to exert a downward trend on the cattle market.

MISSOULA LMA

There were 53 building permits issued in Missoula during October with a total valuation of $4.3 million. For the first 10 months in 1974, 517 permits have been issued with a total valuation of over $15 million. Bank debits for the first 10 months of 1974 were up 35% over last year and up 56% for October. In November the economy in the Bitterroot Valley was slow due

largely to cutbacks in logging activities and outdoor work. Area bank resources are up 6% from last year. There were 356 acres planted in sugar beets this year compared with 375 acres planted last year. Approximately 7,130 tons of beets were produced. In Mineral County a lumber mill temporarily laid off the night shift, affecting about 24 men. Demand for Christmas trees was down this year according to a report received from Sanders County. In Missoula County, several major cutbacks have taken place in the lumber industry.




SHELBY-CUT BANK LMA

Major construction projects in the Glacier County area were the block housing at Browning and the Memorial Hospital at Cut Bank. Permits in Cut Bank for new buildings and alterations on existing structures were valued at $27,000 for October as 4 nonresidential and 1 residential permits were issued. Bank debits for Cut Bank were up 26% over last October and are up 18% for the year. A Browning sawmill was closed temporarily with 47 employees left idled. In Chouteau County wildcatting has picked up with a new gasser, a new dry hole and 8 new locations for drilling.

## ANTICIPATED DEVELOPMENTS IN MONTANA'S LABOR FORCE

January is normally a high point in Montana unemployment due to lumber, agricultural, and construction layoffs. Also, many retail stores lay off people as the busy holiday season ends. But this year unemployment claims are running even higher than usual which reflects the recessionary business activity in Montana as well as the nation. The high bank interest rates and slowdown in residential home building has been particularly hard on Montana's lumber and wood products industries.

### MANPOWER PROGRAM ACTIVITIES
NOVEMBER 1974

| Program | New Enrollees | Job Placements | End of Month Enrollment |
|---|---|---|---|
| WIN | 75 | 56 | 737 |
| CETA-CEP | 69 | 30 | 254 |
| CETA-Inst. | 25 | 1 | 113 |
| JOBS | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| JOP | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| CETA-OJT | 32 | 19 | 115 |
| Job Corps | 40 | 17 | 225 |

### CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - U. S.[1/]
*(1967 = 100)*

| Group | NOV. 1974 | *Percent Change From:* OCT. 1974 | NOV. 1974 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All Items | 154.3 | *.8%* | *12.1%* |

### CHARACTERISTICS OF THE UNEMPLOYED[2/]
NOVEMBER 1974

| Social Characteristics | *Percent of Total Covered Unemployment* |
|---|---|
| Non-White | *2.8%* |
| Female | *35.1%* |
| Youth | *13.3%* |
| Over 45 | *21.5%* |

*1/ The Consumer Price Index measures changes in prices of goods and services bought by urban wage earners and clerical workers, including families and single persons.*

*2/ Based on 20% sample of Continued Claims filed during the week including the 19th of each month in all local offices.*

Table I

# MONTANA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE

## NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

*in Thousands*

| Date | Civilian Labor Force | EMPLOYMENT | | | UNEMPLOYMENT | | | Labor Management Dispute 1/ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Total | Non-Ag | Agri. | Total | Percent# Montana | Percent# U. S. | |
| 1972 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 273.2 | 251.0 | 228.5 | 22.5 | 22.2 | *8.1* | *6.4* | * |
| February | 275.8 | 253.4 | 229.2 | 24.2 | 22.4 | *8.1* | *6.4* | * |
| March | 284.4 | 262.5 | 233.4 | 29.1 | 21.9 | *7.7* | *6.1* | .1 |
| April | 295.7 | 277.0 | 240.7 | 36.3 | 18.7 | *6.3* | *5.5* | .1 |
| May | 300.2 | 283.9 | 248.4 | 35.5 | 16.3 | *5.4* | *5.1* | .2 |
| June | 318.5 | 298.6 | 256.6 | 42.0 | 19.9 | *6.3* | *6.2* | .1 |
| July | 315.2 | 298.1 | 256.9 | 41.2 | 17.1 | *5.4* | *5.8* | .4 |
| August | 321.9 | 305.3 | 257.7 | 47.6 | 16.6 | *5.2* | *5.5* | .6 |
| September | 306.3 | 291.8 | 253.0 | 38.8 | 14.5 | *4.7* | *5.4* | .3 |
| October | 293.0 | 279.2 | 249.3 | 29.9 | 13.8 | *4.7* | *5.1* | * |
| November | 292.1 | 274.6 | 247.9 | 26.7 | 17.5 | *6.0* | *4.9* | .1 |
| December | 290.5 | 269.8 | 246.4 | 23.4 | 20.7 | *7.1* | *4.7* | .1 |
| 1972 Avg. | 297.2 | 278.7 | 245.6 | 33.1 | 18.5 | *6.2* | *5.6* | .1 |
| 1973 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 285.8 | 261.1 | 238.7 | 22.4 | 24.7 | *8.6* | *5.5* | .1 |
| February | 288.3 | 265.6 | 240.3 | 25.3 | 22.7 | *7.9* | *5.6* | * |
| March | 298.0 | 276.1 | 245.5 | 30.6 | 21.9 | *7.4* | *5.2* | * |
| April | 304.7 | 285.3 | 248.6 | 36.7 | 19.4 | *6.3* | *4.8* | .2 |
| May | 311.5 | 294.1 | 255.6 | 38.5 | 17.4 | *5.6* | *4.3* | .4 |
| June | 329.4 | 306.2 | 265.1 | 41.1 | 23.2 | *7.0* | *5.4* | .5 |
| July | 330.9 | 311.6 | 263.5 | 48.1 | 19.3 | *5.8* | *5.0* | * |
| August | 339.2 | 321.8 | 264.5 | 57.3 | 17.4 | *5.1* | *4.7* | .1 |
| September | 320.8 | 305.3 | 260.2 | 45.1 | 15.5 | *4.8* | *4.7* | .1 |
| October | 307.3 | 292.4 | 257.5 | 34.9 | 14.9 | *4.9* | *4.2* | .1 |
| November | 303.4 | 283.6 | 254.2 | 29.4 | 19.8 | *6.5* | *4.5* | * |
| December | 299.4 | 279.8 | 254.1 | 25.7 | 19.6 | *6.5* | *4.5* | * |
| 1973 Avg. | 309.8 | 290.2 | 253.9 | 36.3 | 19.6 | *6.3* | *4.9* | .1 |
| 1974 | | | | | | | | |
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| March | 307.6 | 284.8 | 254.5 | 30.3 | 22.8 | *7.4* | *5.3* | * |
| April | 317.0 | 295.0 | 261.0 | 34.0 | 22.0 | *6.9* | *4.8* | * |
| May | 329.3 | 309.5 | 270.0 | 39.5 | 19.8 | *6.0* | *4.6* | 4.0 |
| June | 349.6 | 323.0 | 277.9 | 45.1 | 26.6 | *7.6* | *5.8* | 2.0 |
| July | 348.8 | 326.4 | 277.7 | 48.7 | 22.4 | *6.4* | *5.6* | * |
| August | 343.3 | 323.9 | 277.9 | 46.0 | 19.4 | *5.7* | *5.3* | .2 |
| September | 329.7 | 312.4 | 275.6 | 36.8 | 17.3 | *5.3* | *5.7* | * |
| October | 322.7 | 304.1 | 269.2 | 34.9 | 18.6 | *5.8* | *5.5* | * |
| November | 319.0 | 296.3 | 266.0 | 30.3 | 22.7 | *7.1* | | .1 |
| December | *315.6* | *290.0* | *265.0* | *25.0* | *25.6* | *8.1* | | - |
| Avg. | | | | | | | | |

* *Under 50. Current month in italics is a forecast. Previous month preliminary.*

\# *Computed from whole (unrounded) numbers. Series began January 1970.*

1/ *Non-additive - included in total employment. Revised to 1973 Benchmarks.*

RESIDENCE DATA

Table II

# GREAT FALLS SMSA (CASCADE COUNTY)

Civilian Labor Force

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

*in Thousands*

| Date | Civilian Labor Force | EMPLOYMENT | | | UNEMPLOYMENT | | | Labor Management Dispute 1/ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Total | Non-Ag | Agri. | Total | Percent# County | Percent# State | |
| 1972 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 29.4 | 27.4 | 26.5 | .9 | 2.0 | *7.0* | *8.1* | 0 |
| February | 29.5 | 27.5 | 26.6 | .9 | 2.0 | *6.9* | *8.1* | 0 |
| March | 30.2 | 28.4 | 27.1 | 1.3 | 1.8 | *5.9* | *7.7* | 0 |
| April | 31.3 | 29.7 | 27.9 | 1.8 | 1.6 | *5.2* | *6.3* | 0 |
| May | 31.2 | 29.7 | 28.3 | 1.4 | 1.5 | *4.8* | *5.4* | 0 |
| June | 33.4 | 30.9 | 29.0 | 1.9 | 2.5 | *7.5* | *6.3* | 0 |
| July | 32.6 | 30.4 | 28.7 | 1.7 | 2.2 | *6.7* | *5.4* | * |
| August | 32.6 | 30.5 | 28.3 | 2.2 | 2.1 | *6.6* | *5.2* | * |
| September | 32.3 | 30.3 | 28.1 | 2.2 | 2.0 | *6.3* | *4.7* | * |
| October | 31.1 | 29.2 | 27.7 | 1.5 | 1.9 | *6.1* | *4.7* | 0 |
| November | 31.1 | 28.9 | 27.6 | 1.3 | 2.2 | *7.0* | *6.0* | * |
| December | 31.1 | 28.7 | 27.6 | 1.1 | 2.4 | *7.6* | *7.1* | * |
| 1972 Avg. | 31.3 | 29.3 | 27.8 | 1.5 | 2.0 | *6.5* | *6.2* | * |
| 1973 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 30.2 | 27.5 | 26.5 | 1.0 | 2.7 | *8.8* | *8.6* | * |
| February | 30.4 | 27.9 | 26.6 | 1.3 | 2.5 | *8.3* | *7.9* | * |
| March | 30.7 | 28.4 | 27.2 | 1.2 | 2.3 | *7.4* | *7.4* | * |
| April | 31.8 | 29.7 | 28.0 | 1.7 | 2.1 | *6.7* | *6.3* | * |
| May | 32.2 | 30.0 | 28.4 | 1.6 | 2.2 | *6.9* | *5.6* | * |
| June | 34.2 | 31.2 | 29.3 | 1.9 | 3.0 | *8.8* | *7.0* | 0 |
| July | 34.1 | 31.7 | 29.2 | 2.5 | 2.4 | *7.0* | *5.8* | 0 |
| August | 34.4 | 32.4 | 29.3 | 3.1 | 2.0 | *5.9* | *5.1* | 0 |
| September | 33.0 | 31.0 | 29.2 | 1.8 | 2.0 | *6.2* | *4.8* | * |
| October | 32.0 | 30.3 | 28.9 | 1.4 | 1.7 | *5.4* | *4.9* | 0 |
| November | 31.4 | 29.4 | 28.3 | 1.1 | 2.0 | *6.3* | *6.5* | * |
| December | 31.4 | 29.5 | 28.1 | 1.4 | 1.9 | *6.0* | *6.5* | * |
| 1973 Avg. | 32.1 | 29.9 | 28.2 | 1.7 | 2.2 | *6.8* | *6.3* | * |
| 1974 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 31.0 | 28.6 | 27.6 | 1.0 | 2.4 | *7.7* | *8.3* | * |
| February | 30.9 | 28.9 | 27.7 | 1.2 | 2.0 | *6.6* | *7.9* | * |
| March | 31.4 | 29.3 | 28.2 | 1.1 | 2.1 | *6.6* | *7.4* | * |
| April | 32.3 | 30.3 | 28.8 | 1.5 | 2.0 | *6.1* | *6.9* | * |
| May | 34.0 | 31.8 | 30.2 | 1.6 | 2.2 | *6.5* | *6.0* | 1.4 |
| June | 35.6 | 32.8 | 30.9 | 1.9 | 2.8 | *7.9* | *7.6* | 1.2 |
| July | 34.2 | 31.7 | 29.5 | 2.2 | 2.5 | *7.3* | *6.4* | * |
| August | 34.8 | 32.6 | 29.8 | 2.8 | 2.2 | *6.2* | *5.7* | * |
| September | 33.2 | 31.3 | 29.7 | 1.6 | 1.9 | *5.6* | *5.3* | - |
| October | 32.7 | 31.0 | 29.8 | 1.2 | 1.7 | *5.2* | *5.8* | * |
| November | 32.8 | 30.7 | 29.7 | 1.0 | 2.1 | *6.3* | *7.1* | * |
| December | *32.4* | *30.5* | *29.5* | *1.0* | *1.9* | *5.9* | *8.1* | |
| Avg. | | | | | | | | |

* *Under 50. Current month in italics is a forecast. Previous month preliminary.*

\# *Computed from whole (unrounded) numbers. Series began January 1970.*

1/ *Non-additive - included in total employment. Revised to 1973 Benchmarks.*

# BILLINGS SMSA (YELLOWSTONE COUNTY)

Civilian Labor Force
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
*in Thousands*

| Date | Civilian Labor Force | EMPLOYMENT | | | UNEMPLOYMENT | | | Labor Management Dispute 1/ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Total | Non-Ag | Agri. | Total | *Percent#* County | State | |
| 1972 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 37.1 | 34.6 | 33.9 | .7 | 2.5 | *6.7* | *8.1* | 0 |
| February | 37.5 | 34.9 | 34.2 | .7 | 2.6 | *6.9* | *8.1* | 0 |
| March | 38.1 | 35.6 | 34.8 | .8 | 2.5 | *6.6* | *7.7* | 0 |
| April | 38.8 | 36.9 | 35.9 | 1.0 | 1.9 | *5.0* | *6.3* | * |
| May | 39.6 | 37.6 | 36.6 | 1.0 | 2.0 | *5.0* | *5.4* | * |
| June | 42.0 | 39.3 | 37.8 | 1.5 | 2.7 | *6.4* | *6.3* | * |
| July | 41.9 | 39.6 | 37.9 | 1.7 | 2.3 | *5.5* | *5.4* | * |
| August | 41.5 | 39.3 | 37.9 | 1.4 | 2.2 | *5.5* | *5.2* | * |
| September | 40.9 | 38.9 | 37.6 | 1.3 | 2.0 | *4.9* | *4.7* | * |
| October | 41.7 | 39.9 | 38.9 | 1.0 | 1.8 | *4.3* | *4.7* | * |
| November | 42.1 | 40.0 | 39.2 | .8 | 2.1 | *5.0* | *6.0* | * |
| December | 41.9 | 39.6 | 39.0 | .6 | 2.3 | *5.5* | *7.1* | * |
| 1972 Avg. | 40.3 | 38.0 | 37.0 | 1.0 | 2.3 | *5.7* | *6.2* | * |
| 1973 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 40.3 | 37.7 | 37.2 | .5 | 2.6 | *6.5* | *8.6* | * |
| February | 40.7 | 38.4 | 37.7 | .7 | 2.3 | *5.5* | *7.9* | * |
| March | 41.1 | 39.2 | 38.4 | .8 | 1.9 | *4.7* | *7.4* | 0 |
| April | 42.1 | 40.1 | 39.5 | .6 | 2.0 | *4.7* | *6.3* | * |
| May | 42.8 | 40.7 | 39.9 | .8 | 2.1 | *4.9* | *5.6* | * |
| June | 44.6 | 41.8 | 41.2 | .6 | 2.8 | *6.1* | *7.0* | .3 |
| July | 44.2 | 41.7 | 41.0 | .7 | 2.5 | *5.7* | *5.8* | * |
| August | 44.3 | 42.0 | 41.0 | 1.0 | 2.3 | *5.2* | *5.1* | * |
| September | 43.0 | 41.1 | 40.5 | .6 | 1.9 | *4.4* | *4.8* | * |
| October | 44.0 | 42.0 | 41.4 | .6 | 2.0 | *4.5* | *4.9* | * |
| November | 44.4 | 42.2 | 41.6 | .6 | 2.2 | *5.1* | *6.5* | * |
| December | 44.0 | 42.0 | 41.4 | .6 | 2.0 | *4.5* | *6.5* | * |
| 1973 Avg. | 42.9 | 40.7 | 40.0 | .7 | 2.2 | *5.1* | *6.3* | * |
| 1974 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 42.9 | 39.7 | 38.9 | .8 | 3.2 | *7.4* | *8.3* | 0 |
| February | 43.5 | 41.2 | 40.2 | 1.0 | 2.3 | *5.4* | *7.9* | 0 |
| March | 44.1 | 41.8 | 40.6 | 1.2 | 2.3 | *5.2* | *7.4* | 0 |
| April | 44.6 | 42.5 | 41.2 | 1.3 | 2.1 | *4.7* | *6.9* | 0 |
| May | 45.8 | 43.5 | 42.1 | 1.4 | 2.3 | *4.9* | *6.0* | .5 |
| June | 47.7 | 44.3 | 43.3 | 1.0 | 3.4 | *7.2* | *7.6* | .5 |
| July | 47.0 | 44.1 | 42.9 | 1.2 | 2.9 | *6.3* | *6.4* | * |
| August | 46.4 | 44.2 | 42.6 | 1.6 | 2.2 | *4.8* | *5.7* | * |
| September | 45.4 | 43.4 | 42.2 | 1.2 | 2.0 | *4.5* | *5.3* | - |
| October | 45.7 | 43.9 | 42.9 | 1.0 | 1.8 | *3.9* | *5.8* | * |
| November | 45.2 | 42.9 | 42.3 | .6 | 2.3 | *5.1* | *7.1* | * |
| December | *45.1* | *42.7* | *42.1* | .6 | *2.4* | *5.3* | *8.1* | |
| Avg. | | | | | | | | |

* *Under 50. Current month in italics is a forecast. Previous month preliminary.*
\# *Computed from whole (unrounded) numbers. Series began January 1970.*
1/ *Non-additive - included in total employment. Revised to 1973 Benchmarks.*

RESIDENCE DATA
*(ESTABLISHMENT DATA in italics)*

Table IV

# MONTANA

## Statewide Employment by Industry

NOVEMBER 1974

*in Thousands*

| INDUSTRY | Nov. 1974 | Oct. 1974 | Nov. 1973 | Net Changes to Current Month from: Oct. 1974 | Nov. 1973 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Civilian Labor Force | 319.0 | 322.7 | 303.4 | -3.7 | 15.6 |
| 2. Unemployment | 22.7 | 18.6 | 19.8 | 4.1 | 2.9 |
| *Percent* of Labor Force# | *7.1* | *5.8* | *6.5* | *1.3* | *.6* |
| 3. Employment, Total | 296.3 | 304.1 | 283.6 | -7.8 | 12.7 |
| (a) Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Adjusted for Dual Job Holders (Residence Data) | 236.4 | 238.2 | 225.3 | -1.8 | 11.1 |
| *NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY (Establishment Data)* | *238.5* | *240.4* | *231.3* | *-1.9* | *7.2* |
| *MANUFACTURING* | *24.7* | *24.5* | *25.1* | *.2* | *-.4* |
| *Durable Goods* | *15.8* | *15.5* | *16.3* | *.3* | *-.5* |
| *24 Lumber and Wood Products* | *8.9* | *8.7* | *9.7* | *.2* | *-.8* |
| *33 Primary Metal Industries* | *3.5* | *3.4* | *3.3* | *.1* | *.2* |
| *Other Durable Goods* | *3.4* | *3.4* | *3.3* | *0* | *.1* |
| *Nondurable Goods* | *8.9* | *9.0* | *8.8* | *-.1* | *.1* |
| *20 Food and Kindred Products* | *4.2* | *4.3* | *4.4* | *-.1* | *-.2* |
| *27 Printing and Publishing* | *2.1* | *2.1* | *1.9* | *0* | *.2* |
| *29 Petroleum and Coal Products* | *1.1* | *1.1* | *1.1* | *0* | *0* |
| *Other Nondurable Goods* | *1.5* | *1.5* | *1.4* | *0* | *.1* |
| *NONMANUFACTURING* | *213.8* | *215.9* | *206.2* | *-2.1* | *7.6* |
| *Mining* | *7.7* | *7.5* | *6.8* | *.2* | *.9* |
| *10 Metal Mining* | *4.1* | *4.1* | *3.9* | *0* | *.2* |
| *12 & 14 Bitum. Coal, Quarrying, Nonmetal Mining* | *1.7* | *1.6* | *1.3* | *.1* | *.4* |
| *13 Oil and Gas Extraction* | *1.9* | *1.8* | *1.6* | *.1* | *.3* |

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Contract Construction* | 13.4 | 14.1 | 14.8 | -.7 | -1.4 |
| *15 General Building Contractors* | 5.1 | 5.4 | 5.7 | -.3 | -.6 |
| *16 Heavy Construction Contractors* | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.9 | -.1 | -.4 |
| *17 Special Trade Contractors* | 4.8 | 5.1 | 5.2 | -.3 | -.4 |
| *Transportation and Public Utilities* | 19.8 | 20.1 | 19.0 | -.3 | .8 |
| *40 Railroad Transportation* | 6.5 | 6.7 | 6.2 | -.2 | .3 |
| *41-47 Transportation, except Railroad* | 6.1 | 6.2 | 6.0 | -.1 | .1 |
| *48 & 49 Commun., Electric, Gas, Sanitary Services* | 7.2 | 7.2 | 6.8 | 0 | .4 |
| *Wholesale and Retail Trade* | 60.1 | 60.4 | 58.2 | -.3 | 1.9 |
| *Wholesale Trade* | 12.7 | 12.9 | 11.8 | -.2 | .9 |
| *Retail Trade* | 47.4 | 47.5 | 46.4 | -.1 | 1.0 |
| *53 & 56 Ret. Gen. Merch., Apparel, Accessories* | 8.4 | 8.1 | 8.2 | .3 | .2 |
| *54 Food Stores* | 6.2 | 6.1 | 6.2 | .1 | 0 |
| *55 Automotive Dealers, Service Stations* | 8.5 | 8.6 | 9.2 | -.1 | -.7 |
| *58 Eating and Drinking Places* | 14.5 | 14.8 | 13.3 | -.3 | 1.2 |
| *52, 57, 59 Bldg. Mat., Farm Equip., Furn., Misc.* | 9.8 | 9.9 | 9.5 | -.1 | .3 |
| *Finance, Insurance and Real Estate* | 10.6 | 10.7 | 9.7 | -.1 | .9 |
| *Services* | 43.6 | 43.9 | 41.5 | -.3 | 2.1 |
| *70 Hotels and other Lodging Places* | 5.6 | 6.0 | 5.2 | -.4 | .4 |
| *72 Personal Services* | 2.6 | 2.5 | 2.6 | .1 | 0 |
| *80 Medical and other Health Services* | 13.8 | 13.9 | 13.1 | -.1 | .7 |
| *Other Services* | 21.6 | 21.5 | 20.6 | .1 | 1.0 |
| *Government* | 58.6 | 59.2 | 56.2 | -.6 | 2.4 |
| *91 Federal Government* | 11.6 | 12.6 | 12.2 | -1.0 | -.6 |
| *92 & 93 State and Local Government* | 47.0 | 46.6 | 44.0 | .4 | 3.0 |
| (b) All other Nonagricultural Employment[1/] | 29.6 | 31.0 | 28.9 | -1.4 | .7 |
| (c) Agriculture | 30.3 | 34.9 | 29.4 | -4.6 | .9 |
| 4. Persons involved in labor/management disputes[2/] | .5 | * | * | * | * |

*1/ Includes nonagricultural self-employed and unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.*
*# Computed from whole (unrounded) numbers. * Under 50. Current month preliminary. Revised to 1973 Benchmarks.*
*Establishment Series began January 1964. Residence Series began January 1974.*
*Produced in cooperation with U. S. Dept. of Labor Manpower Administration and Bureau of Labor Statistics.*
*2/ Non-Additive - Included in Line (a).*

RESIDENCE DATA
*(ESTABLISHMENT DATA in italics)*

Table V

## GREAT FALLS SMSA (CASCADE COUNTY)

Employment by Industry

NOVEMBER 1974

*in Thousands*

| INDUSTRY | Nov. 1974 | Oct. 1974 | Nov. 1973 | Net Changes to Current Month from: Oct. 1974 | Nov. 1973 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Civilian Labor Force | 32.8 | 32.7 | 31.4 | .1 | 1.4 |
| 2. Unemployment | 2.1 | 1.7 | 2.0 | .4 | .1 |
| *Percent* of Labor Force# | *6.3* | *5.2* | *6.3* | *1.1* | *0* |
| 3. Employment, Total | 30.7 | 31.0 | 29.4 | -.3 | 1.3 |
| (a) Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Adjusted for Dual Job Holders (Residence Data) | 27.3 | 27.4 | 26.0 | -.1 | 1.3 |
| *NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY (Establishment Data)* | *28.4* | *28.4* | *27.0* | *0* | *1.4* |
| *MANUFACTURING* | *1.9* | *1.9* | *1.8* | *0* | *.1* |
| *NONMANUFACTURING* | *26.5* | *26.5* | *25.2* | *0* | *1.3* |
| *Contract Construction* | *1.7* | *1.7* | *1.8* | *0* | *-.1* |
| *Transportation and Public Utilities* | *2.3* | *2.4* | *2.3* | *-.1* | *0* |
| *Wholesale and Retail Trade* | *8.2* | *8.1* | *7.8* | *.1* | *.4* |
| *Finance, Insurance and Real Estate* | *1.9* | *1.9* | *1.8* | *0* | *.1* |
| *Services and Mining* | *6.1* | *6.1* | *5.7* | *0* | *.4* |
| *Government* | *6.3* | *6.3* | *5.8* | *0* | *.5* |
| (b) All other Nonagricultural Employment 1/ | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 0 | .1 |
| (c) Agriculture | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.1 | -.2 | -.1 |
| 4. Persons involved in labor/management disputes 2/ | * | * | * | - | - |

*1/ Includes nonagricultural self-employed and unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.*

*# Computed from whole (unrounded) numbers. * Under 50. Current month preliminary.*
*Establishment Series began January 1958. Residence Series began January 1974.*
*Produced in cooperation with U. S. Dept. of Labor Manpower Administration and Bureau of Labor Statistics. Revised to 1973 Benchmarks.*

*2/ Non-Additive - Included in Line (a).*

Table VI

# BILLINGS SMSA (YELLOWSTONE COUNTY)

Employment by Industry

NOVEMBER 1974

*in Thousands*

| INDUSTRY | Nov. 1974 | Oct. 1974 | Nov. 1973 | Net Changes to Current Month from: Oct. 1974 | Nov. 1973 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Civilian Labor Force | 45.2 | 45.7 | 44.4 | -.5 | .8 |
| 2. Unemployment | 2.3 | 1.8 | 2.2 | .5 | .1 |
| *Percent* of Labor Force# | *5.1* | *3.9* | *5.1* | *1.2* | *0* |
| 3. Employment, Total | 42.9 | 43.9 | 42.2 | -1.0 | .7 |
| (a) Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Adjusted for Dual Job Holders (Residence Data) | 38.2 | 38.6 | 37.0 | -.4 | 1.2 |
| *NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY (Establishment Data)* | *38.1* | *38.7* | *37.1* | *-.6* | *1.0* |
| *MANUFACTURING* | *3.8* | *4.0* | *4.0* | *-.2* | *-.2* |
| *NONMANUFACTURING* | *34.3* | *34.7* | *33.1* | *-.4* | *1.2* |
| *Contract Construction* | *1.9* | *2.0* | *1.9* | *-.1* | *0* |
| *Transportation and Public Utilities* | *3.8* | *4.1* | *3.8* | *-.3* | *0* |
| *Wholesale and Retail Trade* | *12.1* | *12.2* | *11.8* | *-.1* | *.3* |
| *Finance, Insurance and Real Estate* | *1.8* | *1.8* | *1.8* | *0* | *0* |
| *Services and Mining* | *8.3* | *8.3* | *7.8* | *0* | *.5* |
| *Government* | *6.4* | *6.3* | *6.0* | *.1* | *.4* |
| (b) All other Nonagricultural Employment 1/ | 4.1 | 4.3 | 4.6 | -.2 | -.5 |
| (c) Agriculture | .6 | 1.0 | .6 | -.4 | 0 |
| 4. Persons involved in labor/management disputes 2/ | * | * | * | - | - |

*1/ Includes nonagricultural self-employed and unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.*

*# Computed from whole (unrounded) numbers  * Under 50.  Current month preliminary.*
*Establishment Series began January 1958.  Residence Series began January 1974.*
*Produced in cooperation with U. S. Dept. of Labor Manpower Administration and Bureau of Labor Statistics.  Revised to 1973 Benchmarks.*

*2/ Non-Additive - Included in Line (a).*

Table VII

# MONTANA LABOR MARKET AREAS[1/]

Civilian Labor Force

*in Thousands*

| | CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE | | | EMPLOYMENT | | | UNEMPLOYMENT | | | UNEMPLOYMENT RATE | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Sept. 1974 | Oct. 1974 | Nov. 1974 | Sept. 1974 | Oct. 1974 | Nov. 1974 | Sept. 1974 | Oct. 1974 | Nov. 1974 | Sept. 1974 | Oct. 1974 | Nov. 1974 |
| STATEWIDE | 329.7 | 322.7 | 319.0 | 312.4 | 304.1 | 296.3 | 17.3 | 18.6 | 22.7 | *5.3* | *5.8* | *7.1* |
| GREAT FALLS SMSA | 33.2 | 32.7 | 32.8 | 31.3 | 31.0 | 30.7 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 2.1 | *5.6* | *5.2* | *6.3* |
| BILLINGS SMSA | 45.4 | 45.7 | 45.2 | 43.4 | 43.9 | 42.9 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 2.3 | *4.5* | *3.9* | *5.1* |
| BALANCE OF STATE[2/] | 251.1 | 244.3 | 241.0 | 237.7 | 229.2 | 222.7 | 13.4 | 15.1 | 18.3 | *5.3* | *6.2* | *7.6* |
| ANACONDA-BUTTE | 34.4 | 33.6 | 33.3 | 32.7 | 31.6 | 31.1 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 2.2 | *4.9* | *6.0* | *6.7* |
| BOZEMAN | 24.5 | 23.9 | 23.6 | 23.2 | 22.5 | 21.9 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.7 | *5.3* | *5.9* | *7.3* |
| GLASGOW | 16.6 | 15.9 | 15.3 | 16.0 | 15.3 | 14.7 | .6 | .6 | .6 | *3.6* | *3.9* | *4.2* |
| GLENDIVE | 13.9 | 13.2 | 12.8 | 13.3 | 12.7 | 12.3 | .6 | .5 | .5 | *4.3* | *3.7* | *4.3* |
| HARDIN-RED LODGE | 10.3 | 10.0 | 9.8 | 9.7 | 9.3 | 9.1 | .6 | .7 | .7 | *5.8* | *6.7* | *7.0* |
| HAVRE | 12.8 | 12.4 | 12.0 | 12.2 | 11.9 | 11.4 | .6 | .5 | .6 | *4.7* | *4.3* | *4.8* |
| HELENA | 22.0 | 21.5 | 21.2 | 20.9 | 20.4 | 19.9 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.3 | *5.0* | *5.4* | *6.2* |
| KALISPELL | 32.8 | 32.1 | 32.7 | 30.2 | 29.0 | 28.3 | 2.6 | 3.1 | 4.4 | *7.9* | *9.3* | *13.3* |
| LEWISTOWN | 11.8 | 11.4 | 10.9 | 11.3 | 10.8 | 10.2 | .5 | .6 | .7 | *4.2* | *5.1* | *6.1* |
| MILES CITY | 13.5 | 12.9 | 12.7 | 13.0 | 12.5 | 12.1 | .5 | .4 | .6 | *3.7* | *3.0* | *4.6* |
| MISSOULA | 39.8 | 39.5 | 39.7 | 37.1 | 36.0 | 35.4 | 2.7 | 3.5 | 4.3 | *6.8* | *8.6* | *10.9* |
| SHELBY-CUT BANK | 18.7 | 17.9 | 17.0 | 18.1 | 17.2 | 16.3 | .6 | .7 | .7 | *3.2* | *3.9* | *4.2* |

*1/ A list of counties included in each Labor Market Area appears on page 29. See map on inside back cover.*
*2/ Statewide, excluding Great Falls and Billings Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas.*

TABLE VIII

# MONTANA LABOR MARKET AREAS[1/]

## Civilian Labor Force

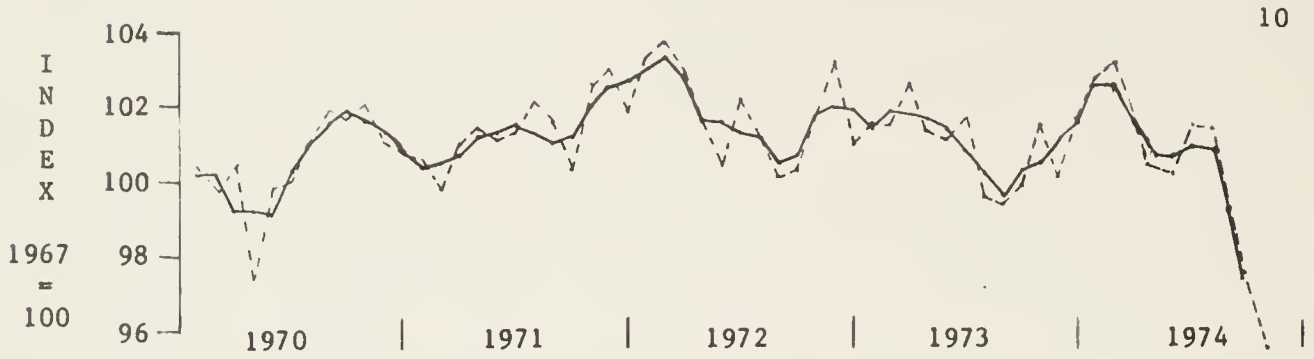
*in Thousands*

| | CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE | | | EMPLOYMENT | | | UNEMPLOYMENT | | | UNEMPLOYMENT RATE | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Nov. 1974 | Nov. 1973 | Percent Change 1973-1974 | Nov. 1974 | Nov. 1973 | Percent Change 1973-1974 | Nov. 1974 | Nov. 1973 | Net Change 1973-1974 | Nov. 1974 | Nov. 1973 | Net Change 1973-1974 |
| STATEWIDE | 319.0 | 303.4 | *5.1* | 296.3 | 283.6 | *4.5* | 22.7 | 19.8 | 2.9 | *7.1* | *6.5* | *.6* |
| GREAT FALLS SMSA | 32.8 | 31.4 | *4.5* | 30.7 | 29.4 | *4.4* | 2.1 | 2.0 | .1 | *6.3* | *6.3* | *0* |
| BILLINGS SMSA | 45.2 | 44.9 | *.7* | 42.9 | 42.6 | *.7* | 2.3 | 2.3 | 0 | *5.1* | *5.1* | *0* |
| BALANCE OF STATE[2/] | 241.0 | 227.6 | *5.9* | 222.7 | 212.1 | *5.0* | 18.3 | 15.5 | 2.8 | *7.6* | *6.8* | *.8* |
| ANACONDA-BUTTE | 33.3 | 32.1 | *3.7* | 31.1 | 30.0 | *3.7* | 2.2 | 2.1 | .1 | *6.7* | *6.4* | *.3* |
| BOZEMAN | 23.6 | 22.2 | *6.3* | 21.9 | 21.0 | *4.3* | 1.7 | 1.2 | .5 | *7.3* | *5.5* | *1.8* |
| GLASGOW | 15.3 | 13.7 | *11.7* | 14.7 | 12.8 | *14.8* | .6 | .9 | -.3 | *4.2* | *6.5* | *-2.3* |
| GLENDIVE | 12.8 | 11.4 | *12.3* | 12.3 | 10.9 | *12.8* | .5 | .5 | 0 | *4.3* | *4.6* | *-.3* |
| HARDIN-RED LODGE | 9.8 | 9.1 | *7.7* | 9.1 | 8.5 | *7.1* | .7 | .6 | .1 | *7.0* | *6.2* | *.8* |
| HAVRE | 12.0 | 11.7 | *2.6* | 11.4 | 11.1 | *2.7* | .6 | .6 | 0 | *4.8* | *5.6* | *-.8* |
| HELENA | 21.2 | 20.5 | *3.4* | 19.9 | 19.1 | *4.2* | 1.3 | 1.4 | -.1 | *6.2* | *6.7* | *-.5* |
| KALISPELL | 32.7 | 30.7 | *6.5* | 28.3 | 27.6 | *2.5* | 4.4 | 3.1 | 1.3 | *13.3* | *10.0* | *3.3* |
| LEWISTOWN | 10.9 | 9.2 | *18.5* | 10.2 | 8.7 | *17.2* | .7 | .5 | .2 | *6.1* | *6.0* | *.1* |
| MILES CITY | 12.7 | 12.5 | *1.6* | 12.1 | 12.0 | *.8* | .6 | .5 | .1 | *4.6* | *4.4* | *.2* |
| MISSOULA | 39.7 | 38.2 | *3.9* | 35.4 | 35.3 | *.3* | 4.3 | 2.9 | 1.4 | *10.9* | *7.6* | *3.3* |
| SHELBY-CUT BANK | 17.0 | 16.0 | *6.2* | 16.3 | 14.8 | *10.1* | .7 | 1.2 | -.5 | *4.2* | *7.4* | *-3.2* |

*1/ A list of counties included in each Labor Market Area appears on page 29. See map on inside back cover.*
*2/ Statewide, excluding Great Falls and Billings Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas.*

# ECONOMIC INDICATORS

# COMPOSITE INDEX OF SIX LEADING INDICATORS*




Composite Index of
SIX LEADING INDICATORS
1967 = 100

| | |
|---|---|
| **1973** | |
| January | 101.6 |
| February | 101.5 |
| March | 102.6 |
| April | 101.3 |
| May | 101.1 |
| June | 101.7 |
| July | 99.6 |
| August | 99.4 |
| September | 99.9 |
| October | 101.5 |
| November | 100.1 |
| December | 101.6 |
| **1974** | |
| January | 102.7 |
| February | 103.0 |
| March | 101.4 |
| April | 100.6 |
| May | 100.3 |
| June | 101.6 |
| July | 101.5 |
| August | 99.4 |
| September | 97.7 |
| October | 95.6[p] |
| November | |
| December | |

## MONTANA'S COMPOSITE INDEX

The Composite Index for Montana continued its steep decline as five out of the six components displayed negative trends. Accessions was the lone component on the positive side, but not enough to change the negative trends. September's final index of 97.7 has approached the previous all-time low of of the April 1970 97.4 index. The year 1970 was declared recessionary by the National Bureau of Economic Research. October's preliminary index of 95.6 indicates the economy is still on a downward trend.

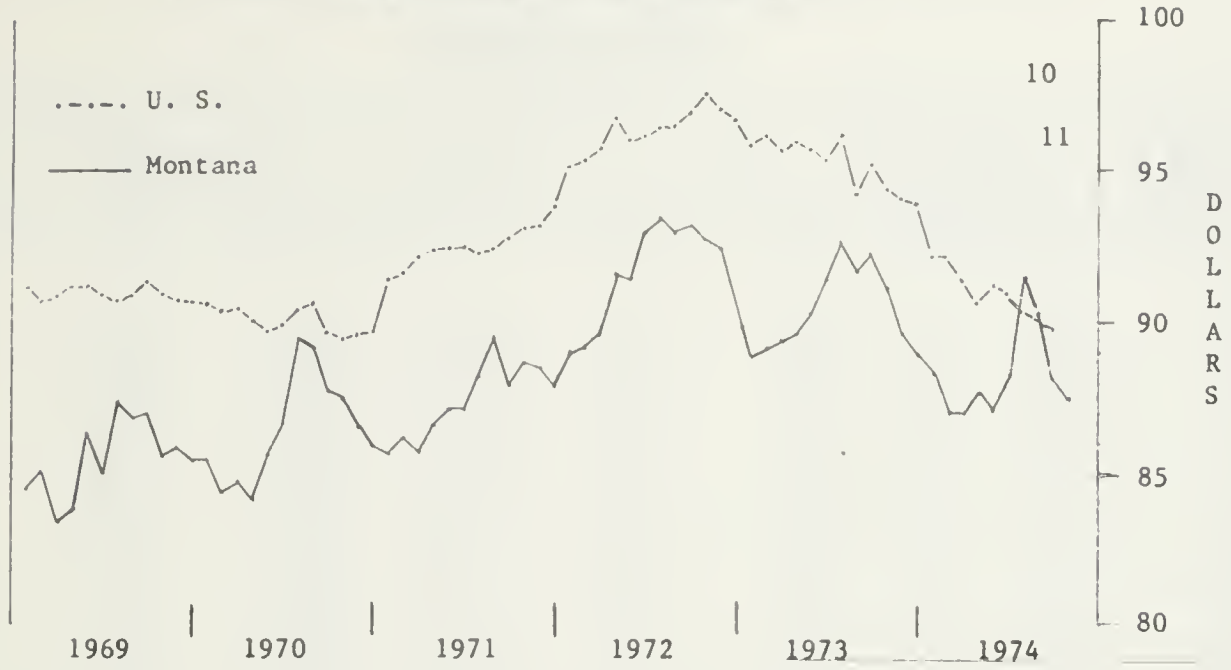
Montana's economy is expected to remain considerably below last year during the next six months with little improvement expected before spring or early summer.

In the graph above the solid line is a three-month moving average which removes irregular effects and more clearly shows the cyclical trend.

* *Employment, Average Weekly Hours, Total Accessions, and Layoffs in Manufacturing; Building Permits, and Average Weekly Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims.*

** *Indicates last month of plotted data.* *p: Preliminary.*

## REAL SPENDABLE AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS
## OF PRIVATE NONAGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION WORKERS (1967 DOLLARS)




| | Nov. 1974 | Oct. 1974 | Nov. 1973 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Gross Average Weekly Earnings | $155.36 | $157.75 | $143.50 |
| Taxes Withheld | -23.23 | -23.94 | -20.29 |
| Spendable Earnings | 132.13 | 133.81 | 123.21 |
| Adjustment for Price Changes Since 1967 | -46.50 | -46.35 | -33.67 |
| Real Spendable Earnings in 1967 Dollars | 85.63 | 87.46 | 89.54 |

| 1973 | |
|---|---|
| January | $88.87 |
| February | 89.02 |
| March | 89.35 |
| April | 89.52 |
| May | 90.25 |
| June | 91.31 |
| July | 92.54 |
| August | 91.67 |
| September | 92.17 |
| Octover | 91.10 |
| November | 89.54 |
| December | 88.98 |

| 1974 | |
|---|---|
| January | $88.29 |
| February | 86.96 |
| March | 87.04 |
| April | 87.65 |
| May | 87.31 |
| June | 88.35 |
| July | 91.50 |
| August | 90.31 |
| September | 88.10 |
| October | 87.46 |
| November | 85.63[p] |
| December | |

Average weekly earnings declined in November by $2.39, to $155.36 in November over October. This reflects the normal seasonal layoffs along with the atypical layoffs occurring in the depressed wood products industry. Real spendable earnings declined $.15 due to inflation, as reflected by the jump in the U. S. Consumer Price Index from 153.0 in October to 154.3 in November.

NOTE: The 1974 Real Spendable Average Weekly Earnings have been adjusted to the revised U. S. Consumer Price Index.

Table IX

# MONTANA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE

## SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

*in Thousands*

| Date | Civilian Labor Force | EMPLOYMENT | | | UNEMPLOYMENT | | | Labor Management Dispute 1/ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Total | Non-Ag | Agri. | Total | Percent Montana | Percent U. S. | |
| 1972 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 291.7 | 273.4 | 241.5 | 31.9 | 18.3 | *6.3* | *5.9* | * |
| February | 293.4 | 275.0 | 242.3 | 32.7 | 18.4 | *6.3* | *5.7* | * |
| March | 295.6 | 277.7 | 243.9 | 33.8 | 17.9 | *6.1* | *5.9* | .1 |
| April | 299.2 | 281.0 | 245.6 | 35.4 | 18.2 | *6.1* | *5.9* | .1 |
| May | 297.6 | 279.5 | 246.4 | 33.1 | 18.1 | *6.1* | *5.9* | .2 |
| June | 297.4 | 280.0 | 245.5 | 34.5 | 17.4 | *5.9* | *5.5* | .1 |
| July | 295.9 | 277.9 | 246.3 | 31.6 | 18.0 | *6.1* | *5.5* | .4 |
| August | 297.9 | 279.4 | 246.1 | 33.3 | 18.5 | *6.2* | *5.6* | .6 |
| September | 299.1 | 280.0 | 246.1 | 33.9 | 19.1 | *6.4* | *5.5* | .3 |
| October | 297.4 | 278.4 | 246.3 | 32.1 | 19.0 | *6.4* | *5.5* | * |
| November | 299.6 | 280.6 | 248.1 | 32.5 | 19.0 | *6.3* | *5.2* | .1 |
| December | 300.8 | 280.6 | 249.1 | 31.5 | 20.2 | *6.7* | *5.1* | .1 |
| 1972 Avg. | 297.2 | 278.7 | 245.6 | 33.1 | 18.5 | *6.2* | *5.6* | .1 |
| 1973 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 304.0 | 283.9 | 252.1 | 31.8 | 20.1 | *6.6* | *5.0* | .1 |
| February | 306.6 | 288.0 | 254.0 | 34.0 | 18.6 | *6.1* | *5.1* | * |
| March | 310.1 | 291.9 | 256.0 | 35.9 | 18.2 | *5.9* | *5.0* | * |
| April | 307.9 | 288.9 | 253.4 | 35.5 | 19.0 | *6.2* | *5.0* | .2 |
| May | 308.4 | 289.1 | 253.3 | 35.8 | 19.3 | *6.3* | *5.0* | .4 |
| June | 308.1 | 287.6 | 253.4 | 34.2 | 20.5 | *6.7* | *4.8* | .5 |
| July | 310.4 | 290.1 | 252.9 | 37.2 | 20.3 | *6.5* | *4.7* | * |
| August | 312.1 | 292.6 | 253.1 | 39.5 | 19.5 | *6.2* | *4.8* | .1 |
| September | 313.0 | 292.9 | 253.6 | 39.3 | 20.1 | *6.4* | *4.8* | .1 |
| October | 312.4 | 291.9 | 254.4 | 37.5 | 20.5 | *6.6* | *4.5* | .1 |
| November | 312.1 | 290.7 | 254.5 | 36.2 | 21.4 | *6.9* | *4.7* | * |
| December | 310.6 | 291.5 | 256.9 | 34.6 | 19.1 | *6.1* | *4.8* | * |
| 1973 Avg. | 309.8 | 290.2 | 253.9 | 36.3 | 19.6 | *6.3* | *4.9* | .1 |
| 1974 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 314.5 | 294.7 | 259.5 | 35.2 | 19.8 | *6.3* | *5.2* | .1 |
| February | 316.0 | 296.7 | 263.4 | 33.3 | 19.3 | *6.1* | *5.2* | * |
| March | 319.6 | 300.7 | 265.4 | 35.3 | 18.9 | *5.9* | *5.1* | * |
| April | 320.5 | 299.0 | 266.1 | 32.9 | 21.5 | *6.7* | *5.0* | * |
| May | 326.3 | 304.3 | 267.6 | 36.7 | 22.0 | *6.7* | *5.2* | 4.0 |
| June | 326.7 | 303.2 | 265.7 | 37.5 | 23.5 | *7.2* | *5.2* | 2.0 |
| July | 327.8 | 304.2 | 266.5 | 37.7 | 23.6 | *7.2* | *5.3* | * |
| August | 319.4 | 297.6 | 265.9 | 31.7 | 21.8 | *6.8* | *5.4* | .2 |
| September | 323.2 | 300.7 | 268.7 | 32.0 | 22.5 | *7.0* | *5.8* | * |
| October | 329.0 | 303.4 | 266.0 | 37.4 | 25.6 | *7.8* | *6.0* | * |
| November | 328.1 | 303.6 | 266.3 | 37.3 | 24.5 | *7.5* | | .1 |
| December | *326.5* | *301.6* | *267.9* | *33.7* | *24.9* | *7.6* | | - |
| Avg. | | | | | | | | |

* *Under 50. Current month in italics is a forecast. Previous month preliminary.*
*1/ Non-additive - included in total employment. Series began January 1970.*
*NOTE: Seasonally adjusted data are provided for statistical analysis only and should not be confused with actual numbers. Revised to 1973 Benchmarks.*

RESIDENCE DATA

Table X

# GREAT FALLS SMSA (CASCADE COUNTY)

Civilian Labor Force

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

*in Thousands*

| Date | Civilian Labor Force | EMPLOYMENT | | | UNEMPLOYMENT | | | Labor Management Dispute 1/ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Total | Non-Ag | Agri. | Total | Percent County | Percent State | |
| 1972 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 30.9 | 29.2 | 28.0 | 1.2 | 1.7 | *5.5* | *6.3* | 0 |
| February | 30.8 | 29.0 | 27.9 | 1.1 | 1.8 | *5.8* | *6.3* | 0 |
| March | 31.1 | 29.4 | 27.9 | 1.5 | 1.7 | *5.5* | *6.1* | 0 |
| April | 31.4 | 29.7 | 28.1 | 1.6 | 1.7 | *5.4* | *6.1* | 0 |
| May | 31.1 | 29.5 | 28.1 | 1.4 | 1.6 | *5.1* | *6.1* | 0 |
| June | 31.5 | 29.5 | 28.0 | 1.5 | 2.0 | *6.3* | *5.9* | 0 |
| July | 31.4 | 29.3 | 27.8 | 1.5 | 2.1 | *6.7* | *6.1* | * |
| August | 31.4 | 29.1 | 27.4 | 1.7 | 2.3 | *7.3* | *6.2* | * |
| September | 31.7 | 29.5 | 27.5 | 2.0 | 2.2 | *6.9* | *6.4* | * |
| October | 31.6 | 29.2 | 27.5 | 1.7 | 2.4 | *7.6* | *6.4* | 0 |
| November | 31.5 | 29.1 | 27.5 | 1.6 | 2.4 | *7.6* | *6.3* | * |
| December | 31.7 | 29.2 | 27.8 | 1.4 | 2.5 | *7.9* | *6.7* | * |
| 1972 Avg. | 31.3 | 29.3 | 27.8 | 1.5 | 2.0 | *6.5* | *6.2* | * |
| 1973 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 31.5 | 29.2 | 27.9 | 1.3 | 2.3 | *7.3* | *6.6* | * |
| February | 31.7 | 29.5 | 27.9 | 1.6 | 2.2 | *6.9* | *6.1* | * |
| March | 31.6 | 29.4 | 28.0 | 1.4 | 2.2 | *7.0* | *5.9* | * |
| April | 31.9 | 29.7 | 28.2 | 1.5 | 2.2 | *6.9* | *6.2* | * |
| May | 32.1 | 29.8 | 28.2 | 1.6 | 2.3 | *7.2* | *6.3* | * |
| June | 32.2 | 29.8 | 28.3 | 1.5 | 2.4 | *7.5* | *6.7* | 0 |
| July | 32.6 | 30.3 | 28.2 | 2.1 | 2.3 | *7.0* | *6.5* | 0 |
| August | 32.9 | 30.8 | 28.5 | 2.3 | 2.1 | *6.4* | *6.2* | 0 |
| September | 32.4 | 30.2 | 28.6 | 1.6 | 2.2 | *6.8* | *6.4* | * |
| October | 32.5 | 30.3 | 28.7 | 1.6 | 2.2 | *6.8* | *6.6* | 0 |
| November | 31.8 | 29.6 | 28.2 | 1.4 | 2.2 | *6.9* | *6.9* | * |
| December | 32.1 | 30.1 | 28.3 | 1.8 | 2.0 | *6.2* | *6.1* | * |
| 1973 Avg. | 32.1 | 29.9 | 28.2 | 1.7 | 2.2 | *6.8* | *6.3* | * |
| 1974 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 32.4 | 30.4 | 29.1 | 1.3 | 2.0 | *6.2* | *6.3* | * |
| February | 32.3 | 30.5 | 29.0 | 1.5 | 1.8 | *5.6* | *6.1* | * |
| March | 32.2 | 30.2 | 29.0 | 1.2 | 2.0 | *6.2* | *5.9* | * |
| April | 32.4 | 30.3 | 29.0 | 1.3 | 2.1 | *6.5* | *6.7* | * |
| May | 33.9 | 31.6 | 30.0 | 1.6 | 2.3 | *6.8* | *6.7* | 1.4 |
| June | 33.7 | 31.4 | 29.9 | 1.5 | 2.3 | *6.8* | *7.2* | 1.2 |
| July | 32.8 | 30.4 | 28.5 | 1.9 | 2.4 | *7.3* | *7.2* | * |
| August | 33.5 | 31.1 | 29.0 | 2.1 | 2.4 | *7.2* | *6.8* | * |
| September | 32.5 | 30.5 | 29.1 | 1.4 | 2.0 | *6.2* | *7.0* | - |
| October | 33.1 | 30.9 | 29.6 | 1.3 | 2.2 | *6.6* | *7.8* | * |
| November | 33.2 | 30.9 | 29.6 | 1.3 | 2.3 | *6.9* | *7.5* | * |
| December | *33.0* | *31.0* | *29.7* | *1.3* | *2.0* | *6.1* | *7.6* | - |
| Avg. | | | | | | | | |

* *Under 50.* *Current month in italics is a forecast.* *Previous month preliminary.*

*1/ Non-additive - included in total employment.* *Series began January 1970.*

*NOTE: Seasonally adjusted data are provided for statistical analysis only and should not be confused with actual numbers.* *Revised to 1973 Benchmarks.*

Table XI

# BILLINGS SMSA (YELLOWSTONE COUNTY)

Civilian Labor Force

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

*in Thousands*

| Date | Civilian Labor Force | EMPLOYMENT | | | UNEMPLOYMENT | | | Labor Management Dispute 1/ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Total | Non-Ag | Agri. | Total | *Percent* County | State | |
| 1972 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 38.5 | 36.3 | 35.4 | .9 | 2.2 | *5.7* | *6.3* | 0 |
| February | 38.8 | 36.5 | 35.6 | .9 | 2.3 | *5.9* | *6.3* | 0 |
| March | 39.2 | 37.0 | 36.0 | 1.0 | 2.2 | *5.6* | *6.1* | 0 |
| April | 39.4 | 37.3 | 36.2 | 1.1 | 2.1 | *5.3* | *6.1* | * |
| May | 39.6 | 37.4 | 36.5 | .9 | 2.2 | *5.6* | *6.1* | * |
| June | 40.3 | 38.1 | 36.8 | 1.3 | 2.2 | *5.5* | *5.9* | * |
| July | 40.8 | 38.5 | 37.2 | 1.3 | 2.3 | *5.6* | *6.1* | * |
| August | 40.7 | 38.4 | 37.3 | 1.1 | 2.3 | *5.7* | *6.2* | * |
| September | 40.9 | 38.6 | 37.4 | 1.2 | 2.3 | *5.6* | *6.4* | * |
| October | 41.6 | 39.1 | 38.1 | 1.0 | 2.5 | *6.0* | *6.4* | * |
| November | 41.4 | 39.3 | 38.4 | .9 | 2.1 | *5.1* | *6.3* | * |
| December | 41.7 | 39.4 | 38.7 | .7 | 2.3 | *5.5* | *6.7* | * |
| 1972 Avg. | 40.3 | 38.0 | 37.0 | 1.0 | 2.3 | *5.7* | *6.2* | * |
| 1973 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 41.9 | 39.6 | 38.9 | .7 | 2.3 | *5.5* | *6.6* | * |
| February | 42.2 | 40.2 | 39.3 | .9 | 2.0 | *4.7* | *6.1* | * |
| March | 42.4 | 40.7 | 39.7 | 1.0 | 1.7 | *4.0* | *5.9* | 0 |
| April | 42.6 | 40.4 | 39.8 | .6 | 2.2 | *5.2* | *6.2* | * |
| May | 42.9 | 40.5 | 39.8 | .7 | 2.4 | *5.6* | *6.3* | * |
| June | 42.8 | 40.5 | 40.0 | .5 | 2.3 | *5.4* | *6.7* | .3 |
| July | 43.1 | 40.7 | 40.2 | .5 | 2.4 | *5.6* | *6.5* | * |
| August | 43.5 | 41.2 | 40.4 | .8 | 2.3 | *5.3* | *6.2* | * |
| September | 43.0 | 40.8 | 40.3 | .5 | 2.2 | *5.1* | *6.4* | * |
| October | 43.9 | 41.1 | 40.5 | .6 | 2.8 | *6.4* | *6.6* | * |
| November | 43.6 | 41.4 | 40.8 | .6 | 2.2 | *5.1* | *6.9* | * |
| December | 43.7 | 41.7 | 41.0 | .7 | 2.0 | *4.6* | *6.1* | * |
| 1973 Avg. | 42.9 | 40.7 | 40.0 | .7 | 2.2 | *5.1* | *6.3* | * |
| 1974 | | | | | | | | |
| January | 44.4 | 41.6 | 40.6 | 1.0 | 2.8 | *6.3* | *6.3* | 0 |
| February | 45.2 | 43.2 | 41.9 | 1.3 | 2.0 | *4.4* | *6.1* | 0 |
| March | 45.4 | 43.4 | 41.9 | 1.5 | 2.0 | *4.4* | *5.9* | 0 |
| April | 45.2 | 42.9 | 41.5 | 1.4 | 2.3 | *5.1* | *6.7* | 0 |
| May | 45.9 | 43.3 | 42.0 | 1.3 | 2.6 | *5.7* | *6.7* | .5 |
| June | 45.7 | 42.9 | 42.0 | .9 | 2.8 | *6.1* | *7.2* | .5 |
| July | 45.8 | 43.0 | 42.1 | .9 | 2.8 | *6.1* | *7.2* | * |
| August | 45.5 | 43.3 | 42.0 | 1.3 | 2.2 | *4.8* | *6.8* | * |
| September | 45.4 | 43.0 | 42.0 | 1.0 | 2.4 | *5.3* | *7.0* | - |
| October | 45.5 | 43.0 | 42.0 | 1.0 | 2.5 | *5.5* | *7.8* | * |
| November | 44.4 | 42.1 | 41.5 | .6 | 2.3 | *5.2* | *7.5* | * |
| December | *44.8* | *42.4* | *41.7* | *.7* | *2.4* | *5.4* | *7.6* | - |
| Avg. | | | | | | | | |

* *Under 50.* *Current month in italics is a forecast.* *Previous month preliminary.*
1/ *Non-additive - included in Total Employment.* *Series began January 1970.*
*NOTE: Seasonally adjusted data are provided for statistical analysis only and should not be confused with actual numbers.* *Revised to 1973 Benchmarks.*

Table XII

# MONTANA HOURS AND EARNINGS

## For Private Nonagricultural Industries

NOVEMBER 1974

| | Average Weekly Earnings | | | Average Weekly Hours | | | Average Hourly Earnings | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Nov. 1974 | Oct. 1974 | Nov. 1973 | Nov. 1974 | Oct. 1974 | Nov. 1973 | Nov. 1974 | Oct. 1974 | Nov. 1973 |
| TOTAL PRIVATE | $155.36 | $157.75 | $143.50 | 36.3 | 36.6 | 36.7 | $4.28 | $4.31 | $3.91 |
| MANUFACTURING | 189.50 | 195.83 | 180.11 | 37.9 | 38.1 | 38.9 | 5.00 | 5.14 | 4.63 |
| Durable Goods | 181.18 | 190.62 | 182.34 | 36.9 | 36.8 | 39.9 | 4.91 | 5.18 | 4.57 |
| Primary Metal Industries | 230.04 | 226.55 | 187.98 | 41.3 | 40.6 | 39.0 | 5.57 | 5.58 | 4.82 |
| Nondurable Goods | 208.64 | 210.31 | 175.06 | 40.2 | 41.4 | 36.7 | 5.19 | 5.08 | 4.77 |
| Food and Kindred Products | 198.01 | 200.69 | 154.87 | 42.4 | 44.4 | 36.7 | 4.67 | 4.52 | 4.22 |
| MINING | 257.31 | 256.80 | 210.53 | 43.1 | 42.8 | 40.1 | 5.97 | 6.00 | 5.25 |
| Metal Mining | 271.19 | 271.19 | 213.98 | 43.6 | 43.6 | 39.7 | 6.22 | 6.22 | 5.39 |
| CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION | 278.78 | 284.83 | 252.59 | 35.2 | 36.1 | 38.8 | 7.92 | 7.89 | 6.51 |
| TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES | 248.82 | 251.55 | 234.42 | 42.9 | 43.0 | 42.7 | 5.80 | 5.85 | 5.49 |
| Communications, Electric, Gas, Sanitary Services | 201.96 | 209.88 | 183.68 | 39.6 | 39.6 | 39.5 | 5.10 | 5.30 | 4.65 |
| WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE | 120.04 | 121.06 | 113.92 | 35.1 | 35.5 | 35.6 | 3.42 | 3.41 | 3.20 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 112.22 | 111.97 | 104.69 | 36.2 | 37.2 | 36.1 | 3.10 | 3.01 | 2.90 |
| SERVICES | 101.62 | 101.59 | 88.64 | 33.1 | 33.2 | 33.2 | 3.07 | 3.06 | 2.67 |

*Data for current month are preliminary.*
*Averages are based on gross earnings, including overtime and premium pay.*
*Selected Industries series began January 1950; Total Private Sector series began January 1969 (May 1972 issue).*
*Prepared by U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.*

ESTABLISHMENT DATA

# MONTANA LABOR TURNOVER RATES

## In Manufacturing and Mining Industries

*(per 100 employees)*

OCTOBER 1974

| | ACCESSION RATES | | | | | | SEPARATION RATES | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Total | | | New Hires | | | Total | | | Quits | | | Layoffs | | |
| | Oct. 1974 | Sept. 1974 | Oct. 1973 | Oct. 1974 | Sept. 1974 | Oct. 1973 | Oct. 1974 | Sept. 1974 | Oct. 1973 | Oct. 1974 | Sept. 1974 | Oct. 1973 | Oct. 1974 | Sept. 1974 | Oct. 1973 |
| MANUFACTURING | 3.5 | 3.4 | 4.3 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 3.7 | 5.6 | 6.9 | 5.1 | 1.5 | 3.2 | 2.7 | 2.9 | 2.6 | 1.5 |
| Durable Goods | 2.6 | 2.1 | 3.8 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 3.0 | 5.5 | 5.9 | 5.4 | 1.4 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 3.0 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| Primary Metal Industries | 1.5 | 3.4 | 2.8 | 0.6 | 2.9 | 0.7 | 2.2 | 5.7 | 5.1 | 1.7 | 3.6 | 1.8 | - | 1.1 | 2.7 |
| Nondurable Goods | 5.0 | 5.9 | 5.0 | 3.8 | 4.5 | 4.9 | 5.7 | 8.7 | 4.7 | 1.7 | 3.5 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 4.5 | 1.5 |
| MINING | 3.7 | 3.5 | 6.9 | 3.0 | 2.8 | 3.5 | 4.8 | 7.4 | 6.8 | 2.4 | 4.6 | 3.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | * |
| Metal Mining | 1.2 | 1.5 | 7.1 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 3.3 | 8.5 | 8.6 | 1.4 | 5.4 | 3.7 | 0.3 | 0.5 | * |

* *Less than .05.*

*Prepared by U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.*

*Series began January 1959.*

## NEW BUSINESS FIRMS IN MONTANA

New business firms in Montana are a reflection of economic activity within the business community. Data furnished on this page and the following page are an aggregate of information supplied by the office of the Montana Secretary of State and the Montana Employment Security Division. These data should in no way be construed as being absolute. They are presented to indicate business trends during the survey period.

The chart on the following page is a break-down by county and labor market area of business starts during the month of November 1974.

The following chart is a break-down of new businesses in Montana by industry in November.

| INDUSTRY | NUMBER |
|---|---|
| AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, AND FISHERIES | 52 |
| MINING | 10 |
| CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION | 25 |
| MANUFACTURING | 9 |
| TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION, ELECTRIC, GAS, AND SANITARY SERVICES | 7 |
| WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE | 25 |
| FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE | 13 |
| SERVICES | 61 |
| GOVERNMENT | 1 |
| NONCLASSIFIABLE ESTABLISHMENTS | 1 |
| TOTAL | 204 |

# MONTANA LABOR MARKET AREAS

WITH COUNTIES INCLUDED IN EACH AREA

November 1974 - 204 Total New Firms

| Areas | New Business Firms |
|---|---|
| GREAT FALLS SMSA | |
| Cascade | 18 |
| ANACONDA-BUTTE LMA | 10 |
| Beaverhead | 2 |
| Deer Lodge | 2 |
| Granite | - |
| Madison | - |
| Powell | - |
| Silver Bow | 6 |
| BOZEMAN LMA | 13 |
| Gallatin | 12 |
| Meagher | 1 |
| Park | - |
| GLASGOW LMA | 9 |
| Daniels | 1 |
| Phillips | 2 |
| Roosevelt | 2 |
| Sheridan | - |
| Valley | 4 |
| GLENDIVE LMA | 9 |
| Dawson | 1 |
| Garfield | - |
| McCone | 4 |
| Prairie | 1 |
| Richland | 2 |
| Wibaux | 1 |
| HARDIN-RED LODGE LMA | 6 |
| Big Horn | 1 |
| Carbon | - |
| Stillwater | 4 |
| Sweet Grass | 1 |
| HAVRE LMA | 5 |
| Blaine | 1 |
| Hill | 4 |
| Liberty | - |

| Areas | New Business Firms |
|---|---|
| BILLINGS SMSA | |
| Yellowstone | 38 |
| HELENA LMA | 8 |
| Broadwater | 1 |
| Jefferson | - |
| Lewis and Clark | 7 |
| KALISPELL LMA | 27 |
| Flathead | 16 |
| Lake | 5 |
| Lincoln | 6 |
| LEWISTOWN LMA | 8 |
| Fergus | 6 |
| Golden Valley | - |
| Judith Basin | 1 |
| Musselshell | 1 |
| Petroleum | - |
| Wheatland | - |
| MILES CITY LMA | 18 |
| Carter | - |
| Custer | 3 |
| Fallon | 4 |
| Powder River | 1 |
| Rosebud | 5 |
| Treasure | 5 |
| MISSOULA LMA | 24 |
| Mineral | 1 |
| Missoula | 16 |
| Ravalli | 6 |
| Sanders | 1 |
| SHELBY LMA | 11 |
| Chouteau | 3 |
| Glacier | 1 |
| Pondera | 5 |
| Teton | 1 |
| Toole | 1 |

*Source of Data: State of Montana Employment Security Division, Research and Analysis Section; Montana Secretary of State.*

# MONTANA

U. S. Department of Labor
Manpower Administration

ANNUAL STATEWIDE LABOR FORCE REPORT FOR 1974
(Preliminary Estimates - First Seven Months)

Table C
December 1974

In Thousands

| INDUSTRY | JAN. | FEB. | MAR | APR. | MAY | JUNE | JULY | AUG. | SEPT. | OCT. | NOV. | 11 Month Average 1974 | Average 1973 | Percent Change 74 - 73 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE | 294.3 | 297.2 | 307.6 | 317.0 | 329.3 | 349.6 | 348.8 | 343.3 | 329.7 | 322.7 | 310.0 | 323.4 | 309.7 | 4.4 |
| 2. UNEMPLOYMENT | 24.3 | 23.5 | 22.8 | 22.0 | 19.8 | 26.6 | 22.4 | 19.4 | 17.3 | 13.6 | 22.7 | 21.6 | 19.6 | 10.2 |
| Percent of Labor Force# | 8.3 | 7.9 | 7.4 | 6.9 | 6.0 | 7.6 | 6.4 | 5.7 | 5.3 | 4.2 | 7.3 | 6.7 | 6.3 | - |
| 3. EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL | 270.5 | 273.7 | 284.8 | 295.0 | 309.5 | 323.0 | 326.4 | 323.9 | 312.4 | 304.1 | 296.3 | 301.8 | 290.1 | 4.0 |
| (a) Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Adjusted for Dual Job Holders (Residence Data) | 218.1 | 220.6 | 225.6 | 231.3 | 237.9 | 245.1 | 244.2 | 245.1 | 244.0 | 238.2 | 236.4 | 235.1 | 224.0 | 5.0 |
| NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY (Establishment Data) | 220.5 | 222.6 | 225.5 | 230.1 | 233.9 | 243.8 | 245.7 | 246.0 | 244.0 | 240.4 | 238.6 | 234.5 | 228.3 | 3.2 |
| MANUFACTURING | 23.5 | 23.7 | 23.4 | 23.4 | 24.2 | 25.7 | 26.1 | 26.0 | 25.1 | 24.6 | 24.7 | 24.6 | 24.9 | -1.2 |
| Durable Goods | 15.1 | 15.3 | 15.3 | 15.3 | 15.9 | 17.0 | 17.1 | 17.3 | 16.9 | 16.5 | 15.5 | 16.[illegible] | 16.3 | -1.8 |
| 24 Lumber and Wood Products | 9.1 | 9.2 | 9.1 | 8.9 | 9.4 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 10.3 | 9.9 | 8.7 | 8.9 | 9.4 | 9.7 | -3.1 |
| 33 Primary Metal Industries | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.0 |
| Other Durable Goods | 2.8 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.2 | 3.3 | -3.0 |
| Nondurable Goods | 8.4 | 8.4 | 8.1 | 8.1 | 8.3 | 8.7 | 9.0 | 8.7 | 8.5 | 8.0 | 8.9 | 8.6 | 8.6 | 0 |
| 20 Food and Kindred Products | 4.2 | 4.2 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 4.0 | 4.4 | 4.1 | 3.9 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.2 | -2.4 |
| 27 Printing and Publishing | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 5.3 |
| 29 Petroleum and Coal Products | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 0 |
| Other Nondurable Goods | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.4 | - |
| NONMANUFACTURING | 197.0 | 198.9 | 202.1 | 206.7 | 209.7 | 218.1 | 219.6 | 220.0 | 218.6 | 215.9 | 213.8 | 210.9 | 203.4 | 3.7 |
| Mining | 7.0 | 7.1 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.3 | 7.7 | 7.5 | 8.0 | 7.7 | 7.5 | 7.7 | 7.4 | 6.7 | 10.4 |
| 10 Metal Mining | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.5 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.2 | 3.9 | 7.7 |
| 12 & 14 Bitum. Coal, Quarrying, Nonmetal Mining | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 16.7 |
| 13 Oil and Gas Extraction | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 12.5 |
| Contract Construction | 10.3 | 10.7 | 11.6 | 13.6 | 11.7 | 11.7 | 15.4 | 15.7 | 14.5 | 14.1 | 13.4 | 12.9 | 14.0 | -7.9 |
| 15 General Building Contractors | 4.1 | 4.4 | 4.7 | 5.2 | 5.5 | 5.3 | 5.9 | 6.4 | 5.7 | 5.4 | 5.1 | 5.[illegible] | 4.9 | 6.1 |
| 16 Heavy Construction Contractors | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 3.7 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 4.6 | 4.3 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.0 | 4.1 | -26.8 |
| 17 Special Trade Contractors | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.7 | 4.5 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.1 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 5.0 | -6.0 |
| Transportation and Public Utilities | 18.5 | 18.6 | 18.8 | 19.0 | 19.6 | 20.2 | 20.5 | 20.5 | 20.2 | 20.1 | 19.8 | 19.[illegible] | 18.7 | 4.8 |
| 40 Railroad Transportation | 6.1 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.3 | 3.2 |
| 41-47 Transportation, Except Railroad | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 6.1 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 6.1 | 6.0 | 5.7 | 5.3 |
| 48 & 49 Commun., Electric, Gas, Sanitary Services | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 7.3 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 6.7 | 6.0 |
| Wholesale and Retail Trade | 55.2 | 54.8 | 56.0 | 57.2 | 59.0 | 61.6 | 62.5 | 63.0 | 60.1 | 60.4 | 60.1 | 59.[illegible] | 56.9 | 4.0 |
| Wholesale Trade | 11.5 | 11.5 | 11.7 | 11.9 | 12.1 | 12.5 | 12.8 | 13.1 | 12.9 | 12.7 | 12.6 | 12.[illegible] | 11.3 | 8.9 |
| Retail Trade | 43.7 | 43.3 | 44.3 | 45.3 | 46.9 | 49.1 | 49.7 | 49.9 | 48.2 | 47.8 | 47.4 | 46.[illegible] | 45.6 | 2.0 |
| 53 & 56 Ret. Gen. Merch., Apparel, Accessories | 7.8 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 7.8 | 8.1 | 8.2 | 8.2 | 8.1 | 8.1 | 8.4 | 7.9 | 7.[illegible] | 1.3 |
| 54 Food Stores | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 6.4 | 6.1 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 1.6 |
| 55 Automotive Dealers, Service Stations | 8.3 | 8.2 | 8.3 | 8.4 | 8.4 | 8.7 | 8.8 | 8.7 | 8.8 | 8.6 | 8.5 | 8.[illegible] | 9.3 | -8.6 |
| 58 Eating and Drinking Places | 12.3 | 12.4 | 13.1 | 13.6 | 14.5 | 15.6 | 16.0 | 16.0 | 15.7 | 14.[illegible] | 14.5 | 14.4 | 13.[illegible] | 8.1 |
| 52,57,59 Bldg. Mat., Farm Equip., Furniture, Misc | 9.2 | 9.1 | 9.3 | 9.5 | 9.8 | 10.1 | 10.1 | 10.3 | 10.2 | 9.9 | 9.8 | 9.8 | 9.[illegible] | 7.[illegible] |
| Finance, Insurance and Real Estate | 9.9 | 9.7 | 9.8 | 10.0 | 10.2 | 10.6 | 10.6 | 10.7 | 10.7 | 10.[illegible] | 10.[illegible] | 10.[illegible] | 9.[illegible] | 7.3 |
| Services | 40.9 | 41.2 | 41.6 | 42.3 | 43.3 | 45.6 | 46.2 | 46.2 | 45.4 | 43.9 | 43.[illegible] | 43.[illegible] | 41.[illegible] | 3.[illegible] |
| 70 Hotels and Other Lodging Places | 4.9 | 5.0 | 5.2 | 5.3 | 5.9 | 7.6 | 8.1 | 8.1 | 7.1 | 6.0 | 5.6 | 6.[illegible] | 5.7 | 10.5 |
| 72 Personal Services | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 2.[illegible] | 2.6 | 0 |
| 80 Medical and other Health Services | 13.1 | 13.2 | 13.2 | 13.4 | 13.6 | 13.6 | 13.6 | 13.8 | 14.0 | 13.9 | 13.8 | 13.[illegible] | 13.1 | 3.5 |
| Other Services | 20.4 | 20.5 | 20.7 | 21.0 | 21.2 | 21.6 | 21.8 | 21.5 | 21.6 | 21.5 | 21.2 | 20.[illegible] | 20.7 | 2.4 |
| Government | 55.2 | 56.8 | 57.1 | 57.5 | 58.6 | 60.7 | 56.9 | 55.8 | 56.[illegible] | 59.[illegible] | 59.6 | 57.[illegible] | 54.[illegible] | 4.3 |
| 91 Federal Government | 11.5 | 11.5 | 11.5 | 12.0 | 12.8 | 14.0 | 14.5 | 14.6 | 13.7 | 12.[illegible] | 11.[illegible] | 12.[illegible] | 12.[illegible] | 5.7 |
| Total State and Local Government | 43.7 | 45.3 | 45.6 | 45.5 | 45.8 | 46.7 | 42.4 | 41.2 | 44.3 | 46.6 | 47.[illegible] | 44.[illegible] | 43.2 | 3.3 |
| 92 State Government | 16.6 | 17.2 | 17.5 | 16.9 | 17.3 | 17.1 | 17.1 | 16.[illegible] | 16.[illegible] | 17.[illegible] | 17.[illegible] | 16.[illegible] | 15.[illegible] | 6.3 |
| 93 Local Government | 27.1 | 28.1 | 28.1 | 28.6 | 28.5 | 29.6 | 25.3 | 25.[illegible] | 28.[illegible] | 29.[illegible] | 29.[illegible] | 28.[illegible] | 27.3 | 2.6 |
| (b) ALL OTHER NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT 1/ | 27.6 | 28.3 | 28.9 | 29.7 | 32.1 | 32.9 | 33.5 | 32.8 | 31.6 | 31.0 | 29.6 | 30.3 | 29.8 | 3.4 |
| (c) AGRICULTURE | 24.8 | 24.8 | 30.3 | 34.0 | 39.5 | 45.1 | 48.7 | 46.0 | 36.8 | 34.9 | 30.3 | 35.9 | 36.3 | -1.1 |
| 4. Persons involved in labor/management disputes 2/ | .1 | * | * | * | 4.0 | 2.0 | * | .2 | * | * | .1 | .5 | .1 | 400. |
| 5. Insured Unemployment (UI) | 13.4 | 12.3 | 11.7 | 11.0 | 9.1 | 9.5 | 9.0 | 8.0 | 7.6 | 9.6 | 11.1 | 10.2 | 8.8 | 15.[illegible] |
| Percent of Insured Labor Force | 5.1 | 4.5 | 4.2 | 3.9 | 3.2 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 2.[illegible] | 2.[illegible] | 3.[illegible] | 4.[illegible] | 3.[illegible] | 3.3 | - |

\# Computed from whole (unrounded) numbers. Revised to 1974 Benchmarks. Establishment Series began January 1964. Residence Series began January 1970.
1/ Includes nonagricultural self-employed and unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.
2/ Non-Additive - Included in line (a). * Under 50. Prepared in cooperation with the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, by E. S. [illegible], Employment Security Division, Helena, Montana

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In Thousands

| INDUSTRY | JAN. | FEB. | MAR. | APR. | MAY | JUNE | JULY | AUG. | SEPT. | OCT. | NOV. | DEC. | ANNUAL AVERAGE 1973 | ANNUAL AVERAGE 1972 | Percent Change 1972-1973 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE | 285.8 | 288.3 | 298.0 | 304.5 | 311.1 | 328.8 | 330.9 | 339.1 | 320.7 | 307.2 | 303.4 | 299.4 | 309.7 | 297.2 | 4.2 |
| 2. UNEMPLOYMENT | 24.7 | 22.7 | 21.9 | 19.4 | 17.4 | 23.1 | 19.3 | 17.4 | 15.5 | 14.9 | 19.8 | 19.6 | 19.6 | 18.5 | 5.9 |
| Percent of Labor Force# | 8.6 | 7.9 | 7.4 | 6.3 | 5.6 | 7.0 | 5.8 | 5.1 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.3 | 6.2 | - |
| 3. EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL | 261.1 | 265.6 | 276.1 | 285.1 | 293.7 | 305.7 | 311.6 | 321.7 | 305.2 | 292.3 | 283.6 | 279.8 | 290.1 | 278.7 | 4.1 |
| (a) Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Adjusted for Dual Job Holders (Residence Data) | 211.4 | 212.7 | 216.5 | 219.8 | 224.8 | 232.6 | 231.2 | 232.7 | 229.6 | 227.3 | 225.3 | 225.2 | 224.0 | 215.7 | 3.8 |
| *NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY (Establishment Data)* | 213.3 | 214.7 | 218.5 | 221.8 | 228.2 | 236.9 | 237.3 | 238.4 | 236.3 | 232.7 | 231.3 | 229.8 | 229.3 | 218.1 | 4.7 |
| *MANUFACTURING* | 23.7 | 24.0 | 23.6 | 23.6 | 24.4 | 25.7 | 26.3 | 26.3 | 26.0 | 25.7 | 25.1 | 24.6 | 24.8 | 24.1 | 2.9 |
| *Durable Goods* | 15.1 | 15.4 | 15.5 | 15.5 | 16.1 | 17.0 | 17.1 | 17.3 | 17.3 | 16.5 | 16.3 | 15.9 | 16.3 | 16.3 | 0 |
| *24 Lumber and Wood Products* | 9.1 | 9.3 | 9.1 | 8.9 | 9.4 | 10.0 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 9.6 | 9.7 | 9.2 | 5.4 |
| *33 Primary Metal Industries* | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.9 | -15.4 |
| *Other Durable Goods* | 2.7 | 2.8 | 3.1 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.1 |
| *Nondurable Goods* | 8.6 | 8.6 | 8.1 | 8.1 | 8.3 | 8.7 | 8.9 | 8.8 | 8.7 | 9.2 | 9.8 | 9.7 | 8.6 | 8.4 | 2.4 |
| *20 Food and Kindred Products* | 4.3 | 4.3 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 0 |
| *27 Printing and Publishing* | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 0 |
| *29 Petroleum and Coal Products* | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 10.0 |
| *Other Nondurable Goods* | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 7.7 |
| *NONMANUFACTURING* | 189.6 | 190.7 | 194.9 | 198.2 | 203.8 | 211.2 | 211.0 | 212.1 | 210.3 | 207.0 | 206.2 | 206.0 | 205.4 | 193.4 | 5.2 |
| *Mining* | 6.4 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 6.5 | 6.8 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 7.2 | 6.7 | 6.4 | 4.7 |
| *10 Metal Mining* | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 3.9 | 3.7 | 5.4 |
| *12 & 14 Bitum. Coal, Quarrying, Nonmetal Mining* | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 20.0 |
| *13 Oil and Gas Extraction* | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.7 | -5.9 |
| *Contract Construction* | 9.4 | 9.7 | 11.3 | 13.0 | 14.4 | 15.6 | 16.6 | 17.3 | 16.7 | 16.0 | 14.8 | 13.1 | 14.0 | 13.1 | 6.9 |
| *15 General Building Contractors* | 3.4 | 3.5 | 4.0 | 4.3 | 4.7 | 5.1 | 5.7 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 3.7 | 32.4 |
| *16 Heavy Construction Contractors* | 2.3 | 2.5 | 3.1 | 4.1 | 4.7 | 5.2 | 5.3 | 5.4 | 5.0 | 4.8 | 3.9 | 3.1 | 4.1 | 5.0 | -18.0 |
| *17 Special Trade Contractors* | 3.7 | 3.7 | 4.2 | 4.6 | 5.0 | 5.3 | 5.6 | 5.8 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.2 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 4.4 | 13.6 |
| *Transportation and Public Utilities* | 17.8 | 17.8 | 18.0 | 18.1 | 18.5 | 19.1 | 19.4 | 19.4 | 19.5 | 19.1 | 19.0 | 19.0 | 18.7 | 18.2 | 2.9 |
| *40 Railroad Transportation* | 6.1 | 6.0 | 6.1 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.4 | -1.6 |
| *41-47 Transportation, except Railroad* | 5.2 | 5.3 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.7 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 6.0 | 5.9 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 5.7 | 5.3 | 7.5 |
| *48 & 49 Commun., Electric, Gas, Sanitary Services* | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.5 | 3.1 |
| *Wholesale and Retail Trade* | 52.4 | 52.6 | 53.9 | 54.7 | 56.5 | 59.0 | 59.5 | 59.9 | 59.1 | 57.8 | 58.2 | 58.9 | 56.9 | 53.1 | 7.2 |
| *Wholesale Trade* | 10.7 | 10.7 | 10.9 | 10.9 | 11.0 | 11.4 | 11.5 | 11.6 | 11.5 | 11.6 | 11.8 | 11.7 | 11.3 | 10.6 | 6.6 |
| *Retail Trade* | 41.7 | 41.8 | 43.0 | 43.8 | 45.5 | 47.6 | 48.0 | 48.3 | 47.6 | 46.2 | 46.4 | 47.2 | 45.6 | 42.5 | 7.3 |
| *53 & 56 Ret. Gen. Merch., Apparel, Accessories* | 7.6 | 7.4 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 7.9 | 8.2 | 8.9 | 7.8 | 7.3 | 6.8 |
| *54 Food Stores* | 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.2 | 6.4 | 6.4 | 6.5 | 6.2 | 6.1 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 6.1 | 1.6 |
| *55 Automotive Dealers, Service Stations* | 8.8 | 8.8 | 8.9 | 9.2 | 9.4 | 9.8 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 9.6 | 9.3 | 9.2 | 8.9 | 9.3 | 8.9 | 4.5 |
| *58 Eating and Drinking Places* | 10.9 | 11.2 | 12.0 | 12.5 | 13.3 | 14.3 | 14.6 | 14.7 | 14.4 | 13.6 | 13.3 | 13.1 | 13.2 | 11.8 | 11.9 |
| *52,57,59 Bldg. Mat., Farm Equip., Furniture, Misc* | 8.4 | 8.4 | 8.6 | 8.7 | 9.0 | 9.3 | 9.3 | 9.4 | 9.4 | 9.3 | 9.5 | 10.0 | 9.1 | 8.4 | 8.3 |
| *Finance, Insurance and Real Estate* | 9.2 | 9.2 | 9.3 | 9.3 | 9.5 | 9.7 | 9.8 | 9.9 | 9.8 | 9.8 | 9.7 | 9.9 | 9.6 | 8.9 | 7.9 |
| *Services* | 39.2 | 39.7 | 40.4 | 41.1 | 42.0 | 44.0 | 44.7 | 44.8 | 44.0 | 41.7 | 41.5 | 41.8 | 42.1 | 36.3 | 9.9 |
| *70 Hotels and other Lodging Places* | 4.5 | 4.7 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 5.4 | 7.0 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 6.5 | 5.5 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.7 | 4.9 | 16.3 |
| *72 Personal Services* | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 4.0 |
| *80 Medical and other Health Services* | 12.7 | 12.8 | 12.9 | 13.1 | 13.1 | 13.2 | 13.1 | 13.2 | 13.3 | 13.1 | 13.1 | 13.1 | 13.1 | 12.4 | 5.6 |
| *Other Services* | 19.5 | 19.8 | 20.2 | 20.6 | 21.0 | 21.1 | 21.6 | 21.6 | 21.6 | 20.5 | 20.6 | 20.8 | 20.7 | 18.5 | 11.9 |
| *Government* | 86.2 | 86.5 | 86.7 | 86.6 | 86.4 | 87.0 | 83.9 | 83.8 | 84.1 | 85.7 | 86.2 | 86.1 | 85.4 | 86.1 | 0 |
| *91 Federal Government* | 11.4 | 11.2 | 11.2 | 11.4 | 12.0 | 12.5 | 13.3 | 13.4 | 13.2 | 12.5 | 12.2 | 11.8 | 12.2 | 12.3 | -.8 |
| *Total State and Local Government* | 43.8 | 44.3 | 44.5 | 44.2 | 44.1 | 44.5 | 40.6 | 40.4 | 40.9 | 43.2 | 44.0 | 44.3 | 43.2 | 43.1 | .2 |
| *92 State Government* | 16.5 | 16.6 | 16.7 | 16.4 | 16.4 | 16.3 | 14.8 | 14.3 | 14.3 | 15.9 | 16.5 | 16.4 | 15.9 | NA | - |
| *93 Local Government* | 27.3 | 27.7 | 27.8 | 27.8 | 28.1 | 28.1 | 25.8 | 26.1 | 26.6 | 27.3 | 27.5 | 27.9 | 27.3 | NA | - |
| (b) ALL OTHER NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT 1/ | 27.3 | 27.6 | 29.0 | 28.6 | 30.4 | 32.0 | 32.3 | 31.7 | 30.5 | 30.1 | 28.9 | 28.9 | 29.8 | 29.9 | -.3 |
| (c) AGRICULTURE | 22.4 | 25.3 | 30.6 | 36.7 | 38.5 | 41.1 | 48.1 | 57.3 | 45.1 | 34.9 | 29.4 | 25.7 | 36.3 | 33.1 | 9.7 |
| 4. Persons involved in labor/management disputes 2/ | .1 | * | * | .2 | .4 | .5 | * | .1 | .1 | .1 | * | * | .1 | .1 | 0 |
| 5. Insured Unemployment (UI) | 13.4 | 11.3 | 10.6 | 8.9 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 6.8 | 6.6 | 7.0 | 8.8 | 9.7 | 8.8 | 8.4 | 4.8 |
| Percent of Insured Labor Force | 5.6 | 7.2 | 6.8 | 5.7 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 4.1 | 5.7 | 6.4 | 5.4 | 5.4 | - |

# Computed from whole (unrounded) numbers. Revised to 1974 Benchmarks. Establishment Series begin January 1961. [illegible]
1/ Includes nonagricultural self-employed and unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.
2/ Non-Additive - Included in Line (a). * Under 50. Produced in cooperation with the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Br[illegible], Employment Security Division, Helena, Montana.

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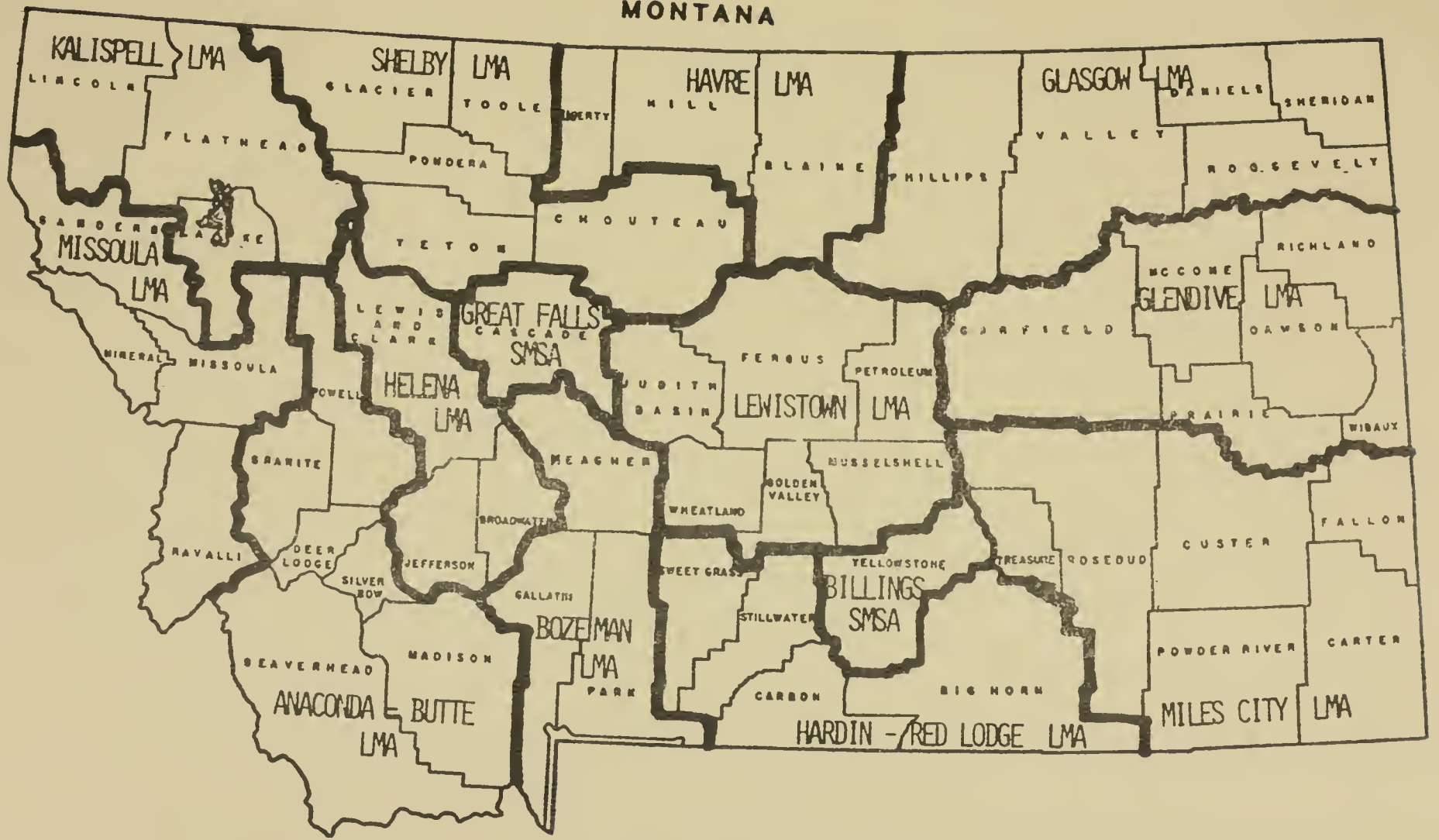

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